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I believe in fresh starts. Without them, it would have been over for many of us long ago. I should know—I’ve certainly had my share. Before relocating to Boston a decade ago, I’d spent my twenties and the better part of my thirties moving—11 times, to be exact, over the course of 16 years. Whether I was heading from DC to Dublin or from Houston to L.A. (nearly always for a new job), there was no better feeling than watching the past disappear in the rearview mirror and embracing the open road ahead, youthful dreams of triumph, romance, and adventure swirling through my head like beautiful music. And each time, as the sun set gently into the Pacific and rose quickly in the east, anything, it seemed, was possible.

I’m hardly the only one who believes in fresh starts—especially these days. In light of the pandemic, urbanites in near-record numbers have been fleeing to the grassy suburbs in search of elbow room, a tricked-out fire pit, and a new lease on life. (For helpful tips and renovation inspiration, by the way, for all your pandemic and post-pandemic projects, check out “New Year, New Room!” on page 82.) It’s all part of the great COVID migration, coupled with the age-old truism: nothing ventured; nothing gained. After all, many lifelong Bostonians have decided that it’s better to light out now than rest on the BarcaLounger of familiarity for all of their remaining days.

Still, change is not without its price. Common grumblings, fears, and questions abound: Where should I eat, live, and play…and where the heck is the nearest emergency room in case my kid’s googly-eyed playmate eats more than the recommended amount of paste? Now, some good news: If you’re one of the many who leaped before you looked, the answers you seek, at least when it comes to finding top-notch doctors, lie ahead. As the suburbs have grown, so too have the region’s healthcare options, as Boston’s top hospitals expand outward to meet patients where they are. This issue, we break down the phenomenon in “The Great Suburban Healthcare Hunt” [page 100], which offers a roadmap to navigating the dizzying maze of medical options outside the city. How safe is the community hospital in my neighborhood? Do I really need to drive into Boston for that screening?

These questions may not be as exciting as, say, asking your new neighbor about that cute little bistro you spotted on the main road, but at a time like this, they might just be the most important. There’s no starting over, after all, without your health.
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As the author of Make It New: Reshaping Jazz in the 21st Century, Bill Beuttler knows a little something about the local music scene—which came in handy this issue as he documented the history of Wally’s Café in the South End, one of the oldest operating jazz clubs in the country [“Wally’s World,” page 54]. “A couple of the musicians I interviewed for the book helped pay their way through college by performing at Wally’s,” explains the Emerson College professor. These days, Beuttler says, he’s most excited to check out “funk night” when the club reopens: “Saxophonist Noah Preminger tells me the house band those nights is killin’.”

All across Massachusetts, people in need of companionship during the pandemic have been searching for pets to love—and finding them down South, where many shelters are overrun with abused and neglected animals. For this issue, contributing photographer Webb Chappell spent a warm fall day on the beach in Plymouth snapping shots of one dog who made that journey, blissfully playing with his new family [“A Dog’s Tale,” page 96]. “Readers will be happy to know about an animal that ends up with a nice family, and a safe, nurtured life going forward,” Chappell says.

“What’s exciting to me as a journalist who covers home design is learning how designers work and build a space from start to finish,” says Boston Home and Boston Weddings editor Andrea Timpano, who showcases local renovations chock-full of inspiration for the COVID age in “New Year, New Room!” [page 82], including a tricked-out outdoor space and an unfinished attic turned sleek office. “Design is very much an exercise in problem-solving, and it’s always interesting to hear how someone tackled a challenge to create something that looks so effortless and polished.”
**The Dialogue**

Letters, emails, rants, raves, and other comments.

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**IN THE BEGINNING**

That’s my story [“The Art of Starting Over,” November]. Lost my job earlier this year. After 23 years in advertising and marketing, I turned my hobby into my second/new career. I started my own interior design business and haven’t looked back. I just finished a kitchen remodel. It’s scary at times but more rewarding.

—**HOUSE OF NEWARK DESIGNS, VIA INSTAGRAM**

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When you combine a very blunt demeanor with a very old-school Catholic guilt, you get some very entertaining individuals.

—**MARY BETH CAMERON, VIA INSTAGRAM**

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**LET IT SNOW**

The cold, sleety, snowy days [“Admit It, Boston: You Love Your Miserable Weather,” bostonmagazine.com] make us appreciate June nights at Fenway, July days in Harwich, and August concerts at Gillette. We love to live it up in the summer because we endure such tough winters.

—**BOBBY O’BRIEN, VIA TWITTER**

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**BAD MOVE**

Ditto the White Mountains of New Hampshire [“Bostonians Are Moving to Vermont—and Vermonters Aren’t Happy About It,” bostonmagazine.com]. Communities appreciate the tax money, but many people who work here can’t afford to live here because housing prices have gone so high. And forget anything resembling a starter home.

—**DONNA FRENCH DUNN, VIA FACEBOOK**

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Who are they buying these houses from? Why aren’t we mad at the Vermonters selling out? They take the money and run.

—**MONIKA RIVERO, VIA FACEBOOK**

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**OBSESS MUCH?**

Boston is a city of dichotomies [“Why Everyone Is So Obsessed with Boston, America’s Most Viral City,” bostonmagazine.com].

I did this a bit over a year ago. Quit my job as an attorney in Texas and moved to Boston. People thought I was crazy, but damn it, I couldn’t be happier. It’s okay to start over at any age. If it ain’t making you happy, quit doing it!

—**DIANA W., VIA INSTAGRAM**

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**FOR THE RECORD:**

In “Winter, the Weatherman, and Me” [December], we incorrectly stated Dave Epstein’s affiliations. He currently does contract work in television, radio, and on the web for such outlets as WBZ-TV, the Globe, WBUR, and, in the past, the Portland Press Herald and the CBS affiliate in Portland, Maine. He also teaches meteorology at Colby College, his alma mater, and used to do so at Framingham State University.

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Newly minted Globe CEO Linda Pizzuti Henry opens up about navigating the media industry, and life, in a time of turmoil.

By Jonathan Soroff

Photographs by Ken Richardson
What perk did you hold out for before taking the CEO gig?
A super leadership team. I took my time before assuming this role and worked internally to realign and build up the team we have now. We worked together to add new roles, and to align the leaders and the organization so it could become more innovative, inclusive, and set up for growth.

Best part of the job so far?
Working with incredibly talented people, every day, and knowing that our work really matters. I care deeply about Boston, and having a strong, vibrant, independent newspaper is one of the most important ingredients to a high-functioning city, and to our democracy. The other great perk is that I’m in the room where it happens. The Globe has its finger on the pulse, so everything, good or bad, new or important, we’re talking about and exploring.

If CEO didn’t stand for Chief Executive Officer, what would it stand for?
Convener...Entrepreneur... Open-minded? Completely Exhausted Overachiever? Caffeine-Enabled Operator?

Which interests you more: the editorial side or the business side?
I’m more intrigued by the business side, although I appreciate that editorial is our business. The news industry, and particularly the Globe, was in a crisis when I first joined seven years ago. There were serious questions about how we could adapt to a different business model and a world that was consuming news differently. I’m incredibly proud of how we pivoted to focus on the future and gained efficiencies that have set us up for long-term success.

From the pandemic to a new U.S. president, 2021 is off to a busy start if you’re in the news biz. For the Boston Globe’s Linda Pizzuti Henry—who co-owns the company along with her husband and publisher, John Henry—it’s also meant a brand-new job title: After seven years as managing director, overseeing the Globe’s growth and expansion from a nearly 150-year-old broadsheet into a thriving multimedia company, the Lynnfield native recently assumed the pivotal role of CEO. Already one of the most influential people in Boston, Pizzuti Henry sat down to talk about being a mom during COVID, the essential importance of Harry Potter, and the start of her next act as Globe boss.
while maintaining our journalistic standards and expanding our coverage and offerings. We’ve worked through so many challenges, and there’s still a serious headwind. The organization needs to continue innovating and evolving, but we have some really exciting business and editorial initiatives that we’ll be launching next year.

What are your priorities when it comes to being CEO?
I’m focused on three core things: building the company for long-term sustainability and excellence; supporting diversity, equity, and inclusion across the organization; and fostering a culture of innovation.

Your new role coincides with ongoing negotiations with the Boston Newspaper Guild. Do you worry that if they drag on, it might make it harder to retain and recruit top writers and editors?
The terms of the contract our team is proposing match, and in many cases go further than, our competitors, in terms of financial benefits. We’re a vibrant, respected news organization that’s well resourced and has a loyal readership, so we’re able to recruit and retain the talent you see on our pages or online every day. In the past year, we’ve added at least a dozen top-notch journalists, at every level in the newsroom.

How do you think you’ll make peace with the union in your new position?
I believe in the importance of impactful, independent, local journalism and the role it plays in our community. In addition to the considerable investment we’ve made in strengthening the company, having me take on this new position only further proves the commitment John and I have made to the Globe’s long-term ability to fulfill its mission. I think the guild shares the same mindset we do about the importance of the work we do, so I’m very hopeful we’ll continue to make progress at the table.

All right, here’s my corny job interview question: Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
In Boston, of course. And I imagine you’ll still find me at the Globe, continuing to push what’s possible, for the good of our employees and the community.

How do you balance running a news organization with also being a regular subject of the news?
Our three newsrooms are supported and empowered, and if there’s something I do that should be called out, they would definitely do so.

If I’d told you when you were 15 that you’d be CEO of the Globe, what would you have said?
I definitely wouldn’t have believed you. I would’ve told you that I planned to work for my family’s real estate business, and I couldn’t see how I would ever get involved with newspapers. I don’t think the idea of working in media ever crossed my mind, but here we are. And I couldn’t be happier about the way things turned out. Also, working in other fields has been really helpful, actually. I’m working with an all-star leadership team, and all of them, except editors, of course, have come from other industries. It’s helpful to have a range of problem-solving approaches and, in a turnaround situation like ours, a lack of nostalgia for how the business used to be run.

Best headline you’ve ever read?
The Globe, in 2004, when the Red Sox won the World Series. It was just huge capital letters saying: “YES!!!”

What news sources do you rely on?
Like most people, I get news from a lot of different sources. First and foremost, of course, the Globe, and health news from Stat. We believe in supporting media, particularly local media, so our family has print subscriptions to the Boston Herald, the Boston Business Journal, and the New York Times, and digital subscriptions to the Washington Post, Wall Street Journal, and Financial Times. John also subscribes to some U.K. papers. We record the evening news and try to skim through that when we can, with our kids, to get an idea of what the national conversation is about. Some of my other favorites include Boston magazine, which we’re longtime subscribers to—more than

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Charting the highs and lows of our new corona-normal.

WHICH BOSTON?
Just as fans rejoiced at the news that Star Wars: Kenobi would be filming here in January, we learned the Force will not be with us after all. Turns out it’ll be filming in Boston, England.

OFFENSIVE
Guess there still are a few Brady fans around here. An intruder, found in Tom and Gisele’s Brookline manse, is the same guy who stole his jersey from the Patriots’ Hall of Fame in 2019.

LEFT TURN AHEAD
The Department of Transportation is modernizing the Pike this month by changing the numbering on exit signs to reflect mile markers. Here’s hoping Google Maps catches up fast.

SEE SPOT RUN
Automaker, meet automation: Hyundai is reportedly buying an 80 percent stake in Waltham-based Boston Dynamics, known for its robotic dog named “Spot,” for $921 million.

KARDASHIAN WATCH
Thanks to Tristan Thompson’s deal with the Celtics, it looks like this winter we’ll be keeping up—extra closely—with the mother of his child, Khloe Kardashian.

ATLANTA OR BUST
Boston’s loss is the nation’s gain. Joe Biden picked the brilliant MGH infectious diseases chief Rochelle Walensky to head the embattled Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
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a decade—and Vanity Fair. At the beginning of the pandemic, I did too much doom-scrolling, so I’ve been taking long breaks from social media, and I’ve become more disciplined about reading particular columnists, sections, or subjects.

Who would you want to play you in the movie of your life? Eliza Dushku would be a dream. She’s a strong, caring woman who’s fiercely loyal to her family and fiercely proud of her Boston roots. Plus, she’s gorgeous.

Pop song your life most resembles? “With a Little Help from My Friends,” by the Beatles. I’m lucky to have an amazing group of friends from different chapters in my life, and many of them have become friends with each other, so we can all get together and share, and support each other, or just play.

When and how do you relax and slow down? I believe in scheduling priorities, and family and friendships are things I make time for. Since quarantine changed what we normally do, we’ve gotten creative. I have dinner every night at 5:30 with my husband and kids, because with all the disruption of the pandemic, we had to establish strong routines for the kids to have a reliable structure. We have a different family activity each night for after dinner, like game night, arts and crafts, science night, and movie night on Fridays. Unfortunately, my kids have terrible taste in movies, but it’s fun to snuggle up after a long week. Then, after the kids go to bed, I finish up work.

Every Sunday night, I have a group Zoom with my girlfriends—we all have it in our calendars, and it’s an important grounding connection. On Monday nights, John and I have a Zoom date night with friends, for a cocktail class that’s been a lot of fun. Quarantine has gone on for long enough now that we can make some proper drinks. In fact, we loved the class so much that Boston.com is launching a similar weekly cocktail club, highlighting local bartenders and drinks from Boston bars and restaurants. I’ve also had some Zoom game nights with my sisters and their kids, and I arranged a Zoom paint party with a big group of girlfriends. We had a hula instructor just to keep things interesting.

Sounds like you should be writing a “How to Weather the Pandemic” column for the Globe. Well, we started a social program, Globe@Home, for all of our employees, to help support local businesses. We’ve done chocolate and cheese tastings, painting, origami, beer tasting, terrarium building, center-piece building, yoga. It’s a fun way for people at the company to relax and stay connected to one another.

Last time you went a day without technology? Ummm...an embarrassingly long time.

How have you managed the pandemic with school-aged kids, online learning, etc.? I think all parents have been challenged by this pandemic, and I’m no exception. I’m also really lucky that we’re all healthy, and that my kids are at ages where they’re old enough to be able to do some things on their own, but still young enough to want to hang out with us. We’ve survived with whiteboards and a lot of structure. Harry Potter and friends have played a big part. We’ve been reading the books together, building the Lego set, and watching the movies when we finish each book. We’re on book six now.

Personal motto? It’s maybe not a motto, exactly, but a Maya Angelou quote really resonates with me: “My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style.”

Person you’d most like to be compared to? The me I was yesterday. I’m always trying to be a better human. Every day’s an opportunity for improvement.

Greatest indulgence? Not much in 2020, but I try to take every chance for a new adventure or life experience, and for travel, especially with friends. That’s something I’ll appreciate even more when I can do it again.

What would you say to someone who says you have it all? I’d say that I’m really lucky, and that it’s not about what you have, but what you do with it. I’m the beneficiary of the luck of being born in the U.S., at this point in time, and of being given chances that other people unfortunately aren’t. And because of that, I work really hard to make sure I live a life of purpose and service, and help in the ways I can.

Greatest regret? Not going with my gut as often as I should. Some of my biggest professional mistakes have been about waiting to take action, even when my intuition knows better. I’m working on trusting my gut and making decisions I know are right more quickly.

By the Numbers

2021 Wish List
Last year was unlike any we’ve ever known. Here’s what we’re hoping for to bring life back to normal in the months ahead.

6.9 million
Number of full COVID-19 vaccinations distributed, one for every Massachusetts resident.

360,000
Number of new jobs created, to replace the ones lost in the state since the pandemic started.

81
Number of Red Sox games at Fenway played in the presence of fans.

21
Minutes of pyrotechnics enjoyed during the Boston Pops Fireworks Spectacular.

90.2
Percentage of hotel rooms occupied by next October, to match Boston’s occupancy rate for October 2019.

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Number of years like 2020 we hope to ever have again.
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By Visit Central Florida

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If you’re looking for a peaceful outdoor excursion, Central Florida’s Bok Tower Gardens and Frank Lloyd Wright’s “Child of the Sun” collection are a must-see. Bok Tower, the world-famous neo-Gothic “singing” carillon tower located in Lake Wales, is surrounded by gardens that are kept with the utmost care. Its 205-foot Art Deco structure features the highest elevation in peninsular Florida. Guests can stroll in the shadow of the tower while listening to music from a series of bells played from within. Its scenic vistas are unlike any other in the state. Bok Tower has reigned as one of the most popular tourist attractions in Central Florida since the late 1920s. “Child of the Sun” is the largest single-site collection of the famed architect Frank Lloyd Wright. His work here boasts 13 of his completed structures. Guided tours of this fascinating exhibit start at the Usonian House and end on the far side of Florida Southern’s campus. In the Usonian House, pieces of glass embedded in its walls act as prisms casting rays of light throughout the home.

Florida’s Sweetest Spot is also home to the LEGOLAND® Florida Resort. Built around historic Cypress Gardens, this fascinating attraction offers roller coasters, a water park and a 4-D movie theater. Its most recent addition, Pirate Island Hotel, is the first LEGO® pirate-themed hotel in North America and is located just steps away from the entrance to the park. This five-story hotel also houses the renowned Shipwreck Restaurant, Smuggler’s Bar for adult swashbucklers, an entertainment area with kid-friendly nightly programming as well as LEGO® play areas.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon in beautiful Central Florida. Meanwhile, rest assured we’ve put proper safety measures in place for your well-being. Our Be Sweet campaign encourages visitors to take proper safety measures while exploring Florida’s Sweetest Spot. To find out what we are doing to promote safety in Polk County and to begin planning your epic stay, visit VisitCentralFlorida.org.
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Let your imagination run wild with this list of 2021’s must-visit destinations, including Egypt.

A BOSTONIAN’S GUIDE TO—MAYBE, POTENTIALLY, HOPEFULLY—TRAVELING THIS YEAR

Most people aren’t going anywhere this winter—that much is certain. But as we inch toward the one-year anniversary of the pandemic that changed our lives, it’s fun to dream about the places we want to go the moment things finally start returning to normal. Are you ready to come along for the ride?

By Todd Plummer
Monaco

If there’s any place in the world that loves to do things over the top, it’s this Mediterranean micro-state, the capital of mega-yachts, billionaires, high-stakes gambling, and all that glitters. For 2021, Monaco plans to make history by hosting not just its famed Grand Prix motor race in May, but three consecutive confetti-filled, champagne-drenched events. Not the car-racing type? Consider visiting in July or August for Monaco Art en Ciel, an internationally recognized fireworks festival. Just be sure to pack your black-tie attire and leave time for a round of roulette at the Monte Carlo Casino.

GETTING THERE
Numerous airlines have connecting flights from Boston to Nice; it’s then a 30-minute drive from the airport to Monaco. But we suggest leaning into the adventure and booking a Monacair helicopter transfer for 130 euros per person for the real 007 experience.

STAYING THERE
Book a room at the Hôtel Metropole and you’ll have exclusive access to the Metropole restaurant and terrace, with views of the only downhill stretch of the circuit. For a quieter seaside respite, try the Monte-Carlo Beach Hotel, located on its own private waterfront but only a short walk from the action.

VENICE, ITALY

This is it—this is the year you book that trip to Venice. With climate change and rising sea levels, you might not get another chance. When you do finally get there, you’ll see that the floating city isn’t just about gelato cafés, gondola rides, and centuries’ worth of Italian arte classica—it’s also a haven for architecture buffs, who have studied it for decades. This year Venice will offer its Biennale Architettura 2021, an immersive citywide exhibition of conceptual displays put on by the world’s most interesting builders and thinkers between April and November. When you’re not picking up some design inspo to bring back home, consider venturing beyond the famous city to take in the mountains, lakes, and fresh air of the breathtakingly beautiful Veneto region.

GETTING THERE
Alitalia has a convenient overnight nonstop from Logan to Rome-Fiumicino that takes less than eight hours. From there it’s a painless one-hour connection onward to the City of Bridges.

STAYING THERE
It’s all about the iconic Gritti Palace, a 500-year-old former nobleman’s house turned luxury hotel. Ask to stay in Ernest Hemingway’s favorite suite so you can wake up to the sounds of the Grand Canal lapping below.
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Let’s face it: The most exotic animals you’ve probably seen recently are the chipmunks and squirrels in your own backyard. Could there be a better time, then, to check a safari off your travel bucket list? While South Africa and Kenya are the obvious destinations for first-time Africa visitors, travel insiders know Botswana to be something of a hidden gem: The camps are luxurious and private (Prince Harry has been known to favor Meno a Kwena on the Boteti River), the crowds are sparse, and the wildlife is sublime. Head to the Okavango Delta or Makgadikgadi Salt Pans between June and October, and you’ll be rewarded with herds of elephants playing on riverbanks and more than a few lazy lions lounging in the sun.

**GETTING THERE**
It’s not a particularly quick or direct trip, but flying 12 hours on Qatar Airways from Boston to Doha, then grabbing a connection onward to Gaborone, makes the ride comfortable.

**STAYING THERE**
Long-standing favorite Jack’s Camp just got a total rebuild but still has the antique furniture, jacquard-flap tents, and 1940s vibes that its fans adore. Traveling with the brood in tow? Check out the brand-new Xigera Safaris Lodge, which features a two-bedroom family suite.
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Sincerely, Kathy Kiely | President, The Ad Club

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It might be the size of New Hampshire, but this small Caribbean nation teems with adventure at every turn—making it the ideal escape for those whose quarantine was painfully sedentary. Explore long-forgotten Mayan ruins hidden in the jungle; hike to a waterfall in Cockscomb Basin Wildlife Sanctuary, the only jaguar reserve on earth; swim with friendly nurse sharks in the North Islands; and sample some of the best tacos in the world at the Orange Walk taco festival this November. It says a lot about the destination that its miles and miles of unspoiled white-sand beaches are somehow the least interesting reason to visit—but don’t get us wrong, after so much exploration, you’ll definitely want to set aside at least a few days to recover beachside with a rum punch in hand.

GETTING THERE
A connecting flight through Atlanta on Delta gets you to paradise in under seven hours.

STAYING THERE
No need to vie for beach chairs or fight over restaurant reservations when there’s nobody else around—private island Cayo Espanto offers seven secluded beach villas, so you can go your entire stay without seeing another guest. For easier access to Belize’s activities and attractions, check out the brand-new Alaia Belize, Autograph Collection opening in March.

Palm Springs, California

The desert is looking particularly hot this year. Long a must-visit for enthusiasts of midcentury architecture (and those looking to escape Boston’s frigid winters), Palm Springs is upping its cultural cred in 2021 with several distinctive experiences. First, the internationally acclaimed biennial art exhibition Desert X returns this February through April 11, letting visitors experience the unique landscape in a new way through site-specific outdoor art installations. Second, the Agua Caliente Cultural Museum, opening this year, offers a glimpse into the rich history of the region’s Cahuilla people. And finally, July brings the debut of Palm Springs Surf Club, a recreational epicenter created by pro surfers and featuring an enormous wave pool that lets you hang 10 surrounded by views of sand dunes and mountains.

GETTING THERE
Hop on JetBlue’s direct flight from Logan and you’ll be basking in the California sunshine in just over six hours.

STAYING THERE
The 29-room Casa Cody, Palm Spring’s oldest operating hotel, just reopened following a full renovation (and still has one of the best locations in town, just steps from the Palm Springs Art Museum). Book the Olympic Cottage, which housed athletes during the Los Angeles 1932 Summer Olympics.

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Egypt

It’s been at the crossroads of the world for centuries—and thanks to recent investments in preserving the area’s iconic architecture and artifacts, it’ll continue to be for years to come. Start your Indiana Jones adventure in Cairo, where the government just last year unveiled a $6 million, 14-year restoration of Pharaoh Djoser’s stepped pyramid—the oldest colossal stone structure in Egypt, dating to the 27th century BC. Then continue on to the Grand Egyptian Museum in Giza, which will be the largest archaeological museum in the world when it opens its doors this spring, with many pieces on display for the first time. After you’ve explored the pyramids and museums in the Greater Cairo area, hop on a quick flight to Aswan in the country’s arid southern region, where you’ll find Egypt’s greatest hits of tombs and temples.

GETTING THERE

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STAYING THERE

The Sofitel Cairo Nile El Gezirah is centrally located and features an extraordinary infinity pool overlooking the Nile. If Nile cruises are up and running when you visit, consider the Steamship Sudan—the last remaining belle époque vessel of its kind on the river.

Tofino, Canada

After a year of being stuck at home, we’re all itching to explore uncharted territory. Enter the village of Tofino, British Columbia: Nestled on the west coast of Vancouver Island, the remote destination is a nature lover’s paradise where fishermen, surfers, and posh Vancouver weekenders live in harmony with the elements—all of them. Given that there isn’t much between here and Japan except a few thousand miles of open North Pacific, when a storm rolls in during the off-season, it’s truly a spectacle to behold. When you’re not exploring, try snagging a table at the award-winning Wolf in the Fog, where chef Nick Nutting’s potato-crusted local oysters with apple and truffle oil attract foodies from around the world.

GETTING THERE

You’ll have to hop, skip, and jump your way across our neighbor to the north on Air Canada or WestJet, but once you arrive in Victoria or Vancouver, BC, it’s a quick 45-minute flight on Pacific Coastal Airlines to Tofino, or a scenic drive across the heart of “the island.”

STAYING THERE

Each room at hotelier Charles McDiarmid’s luxurious Wickaninnish Inn comes with a soaking tub, fireplace, and picture window to experience Tofino’s famous storms from the comfort of your room—as well as a rain slicker and boots in the closet if you feel like braving the weather outdoors.
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Jackson Hole, Wyoming

Leave the après-ski crowds in Aspen and the congested lift lines in Vail—social distancing is the name of the game in this charming ski village, which boasts some of the tallest lift-accessed vertical drops and biggest skiable acreage on the continent. Hit the slopes and you’ll see why many pro skiers keep coming back season after season to the quaint Wyoming hideaway, where the terrain offers everything from beginner hills to the gnarliest of the gnar. Traveling with lodge bunnies, or perhaps your quads need a break for the day? Grand Teton and Yellowstone national parks make for a scenic daylong road trip.

STAYING THERE
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Tokyo, Japan

After a one-year COVID delay, it’s all eyes on Tokyo for the Summer Games of the XXXII Olympiad. If you aren’t lucky enough to score tickets to the Games themselves, there are still plenty of reasons to visit right now, from sampling Japanese whiskey at one of the city’s hidden speakeasies to creating unforgettable Instagram posts among the otherworldly dots and immersive installations at the Yayoi Kusama Museum. Even just standing at Shibuya Crossing during rush hour and watching hundreds of pedestrians scramble across the intersection is worthwhile—because after the most chaotic of years, seeing something so large have such order is sure to be an unexpectedly comforting experience.

GETTING THERE
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INTO THE WOODS

Ready for a big change, two suburbanites lay down roots on the tree-lined shores of New Hampshire’s Squam Lake. By Nathan Tavares

The home’s exterior of western red cedar, glass, and steel blends in with the surrounding forest.
IN 2016, Julia Gentleman Byers and Steven Holtzman found themselves eyeing their upcoming semiretirement—and their next move. After living in Greater Boston for decades, “We decided we wanted a place on a lake,” Holtzman says. “My son, who’s an avid hiker, said the place you want to go is Squam Lake [in New Hampshire].”

He was right: When the couple—Byers an expressive-art therapist, and Holtzman a biotech exec—perused the available lakefront homes, they quickly fell for a property in a woodsy locale close to shore. The only downside was the site’s existing house, an outdated 1960s dwelling lacking space for an art studio.

Choosing to demolish the relic and start new, the pair worked closely with architect Tom Murdough, of Murdough Design, who’d built a house on the lake for his own family years earlier. The design process, all three joke, unfolded as a conversation between the pragmatic Holtzman and the artistic Byers and Murdough. “On every turn they won,” Holtzman says, laughing. But that’s not to say that the house, completed in 2018, would be all style and no substance. Murdough, after all, had been tasked with a major challenge: crafting a large, guest-friendly home that still felt intimate and scaled to the site.

The solution? Think smaller. Instead of one behemoth, the architect designed a cabin-like, 6,848-square-foot main home, plus a guest cottage and an art studio—separate structures connected by bridges.

“We like to break buildings up into parts because it creates opportunities for intimate exterior spaces, grand exterior spaces, and everything in between,” Murdough says.

A masterful mix of wood, glass, and steel, the home beckons with cozy niches carved into spacious rooms. On the open-concept first floor, for instance, a built-in seating nook, nestled among red-cedar walls, offsets a soaring 20-foot ceiling. The adjoining spaces are just as inviting, with a custom walnut table in the dining area and Pietra Cardosa–topped islands in the kitchen. The couple wafts through these spaces just as the lake breezes flow in through the windows and sliding glass doors, accented with sapele mahogany.

Visitors can find similar features in the guest cottage. Mainly used by Byers’s and Holtzman’s adult children, it contains four suites, each boasting a bedroom, a bunkroom, and a bathroom. As for the lack of a kitchen? Consider that a gentle nudge that the main house is for family meals.

While the cottage and the main home sing with warm wood, one spot is a white canvas: Byers’s art studio. She crafts pottery on the light-filled top floor, then uses a dumbwaiter to send pieces to the lower level for firing in a 3,000-pound kiln, which she jokes “is never going anywhere.”

Speaking of not going anywhere, the couple pictures the years ahead and sees grandkids whipping around on tricycles. For now, they sip coffee and listen to the loons in the morning—just the two of them—before hosting loved ones in the evening. Perhaps Byers sums up their new home best: “I always wanted a cabin on the lake, and this is on steroids, you know?”

Clockwise, from top: A hidden pantry helps cut clutter in the kitchen, outfitted with suspended shelves; the couple’s bathroom features a glass-enclosed shower and a soaking tub; bunkrooms in the guest cottage are oriented around views of the property.
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UNTETHERED FROM city offices, Bostonians have lately been opting to work from new homes in the 'burbs and far beyond—and these two recently sold residences, purchased a little more than two weeks apart, show just how high demand is for space in the outskirts. The Melrose single-family sold for $100,000 over its asking price, helping earn the town its title as one of the hottest ZIP codes in the country. Featuring sliding barn doors and a salvaged-beam mantel in the living area, the Colonial embraces a rustic-modern look, with a kitchen that serves up slate-hued cabinetry, open shelving, and bright-white subway tile.

Out west, this 2018-built custom home shares a cul-de-sac with other new-construction properties. The now-owners are surely enjoying all of its trappings, from the sauna to the heated saltwater pool. Given that the 3.5-acre estate sold for the same price as its smaller Melrose counterpart, though, it appears commuter-friendly locales are still more desirable than the hinterlands—even during COVID times.

A RUSTIC-CHIC MELROSE GEM VS. A LUXURIOUS WESTFIELD MANOR

It’s amazing what a few miles will do to the market. This month, we compare a charming suburban Colonial with an amenity-filled estate in western Massachusetts.

By Sofia Rivera

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CHEF’S SPECIAL
A couple of foodies turn their bland Nantucket kitchen into the ultimate entertaining space.
By Marni Elyse Katz

The Problem:
When a leaky dining room ceiling forced restaurateurs Angela and Seth Raynor to renovate the first floor of their Nantucket home, the couple jumped at the chance to redo the kitchen, a cramped galley space that hadn’t been updated in about 25 years. Lacking sufficient work and entertainment areas, the outmoded room was so inadequate that Seth, a chef, didn’t enjoy prepping meals there.

The Solution:
To build the hard-working hub they craved for cooking and hosting visitors, the pair turned to Emeritus principal Matthew MacEachern, who more than doubled the kitchen’s size by absorbing the adjacent screened porch and turning an attached shed into a pantry. Now 550 square feet, the reconfigured room centers around a new 12-foot island, outfitted with a range and seating to enable socializing during the couple’s future dinner parties. Behind the oversize piece, three and a half feet of clearance lets guests—who are often invited to prepare meals—easily access the two full-size refrigerators, the pantry, and the glossy cabinets, painted Farrow & Ball’s “Black Blue” and “Hague Blue.” With the transformation complete, “There’s no such thing as too many cooks in our kitchen,” Angela says.
ECOLOGICALLY SPEAKING, my personal pandemic nadir came when I finally tried to deal with the accumulation of plastic bags in my kitchen closet, which had reached the point where they were beginning to exert their own gravitational force. Assuming I could return them at Whole Foods’ recycling station, as I had for years, I stuffed them into my trunk the next time I needed groceries. Then I waited patiently for a parking spot, a blood sport on the best of days, and stood in line to enter the store. When I was finally ushered in by the masked Cerberus with the counting clicker, I headed straight for the recycling bin—only to find that it wasn’t there anymore, another casualty of the COVID era.

I wasn’t about to take the bags back out to my car and repeat the whole process, so I opted to stash them in a corner, intending to retrieve them on my way out. Except, of course, that they weren’t there after I’d paid at the register, likely tossed into the dumpster by an overachieving employee. I now have visions of a sea turtle slowly being drowned by my plastic bag from the sushi place around the corner.

Pre-COVID, I thought of myself as

IT AIN’T EASY BEING GREEN

Like so many Bostonians, I used to carry my reusable bags to the grocery store, recycle religiously, and pick up other people’s trash off the ground. Then COVID came along.

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relatively enlightened when it came to ecological issues, and I did my level best to ease the burden on Mother Earth. I recycled fastidiously, despite the fact that experts like to point out recycling is only the last “r” in “reduce, reuse, and recycle,” and some of what we try to recycle still ends up in landfills. As a travel writer, my carbon footprint was undeniably execrable before quarantine, but I tried to offset it by driving a hybrid electric car. When I indulged in my favorite pastime, beachcombing, I always made a point of doing one pass to look for treasures and another to collect trash. And for the past eight years, I’ve served on the board of the Trustees of Reservations, the nation’s first conservation and preservation nonprofit, whose mission is to preserve and protect places of natural beauty for the use and enjoyment of the public. In short, I’ve always considered myself a right little tree-hugger.

Then the pandemic blew all that out of the water. My consumption of single-use plastics has skyrocketed. I’ve stopped using my own bags at the grocery store. I’ve purchased almost everything else I’ve needed online, conjuring a veritable Everest of cardboard and bubble wrap to my front door. My water usage from washing my hands obsessively has increased a thousand-fold. And forget about picking up other people’s waste, on the beach or anywhere else. Though I’ve made it a point to get outside and go for long hikes on Trustees properties over the past 10 months, not once have I stooped to pick up a discarded juice box (something I would have done reflexively in the past). In fact, I hesitate to touch any detritus I didn’t actually produce, even if it’s lying in my own driveway.

I know I’m not the only one who has become a lot less green since the first wave of stay-at-home orders began last spring. “Trash, as a whole, has increased,” says Brian Coughlin, superintendent of waste reduction for Boston’s Department of Public Works. “With more people working and learning remotely, trash that would normally be disposed of at work, school, or community centers is now making its way to the curb.” The result? Compared to 2019, there was a 6.6 percent increase in residential waste through October in the city—a whopping 18 million more pounds of garbage than usual.

Except that from my personal observation, a lot of it isn’t even making it into the appropriate receptacles. The amount of rubbish discarded wantonly, all over the place—from takeout containers to empty bottles of spring water—seems to have proliferated along with the virus. “We’re not typically used to seeing PPE as litter, so just like everything else in 2020, the coronavirus pandemic has changed even the way our trash looks,” Coughlin explains.

I’m certainly not blameless in this regard, either. Masks, disinfectant wipes, and other necessities of the COVID toolkit have undoubtedly fallen out of my pockets while I’ve been fumbling for my reading glasses or trying to pay a parking meter without touching it, and I’m ashamed to admit that at times during the past 10 months, when I’ve missed a public garbage can, I haven’t felt comfortable rectifying the situation.

So has COVID-19 turned otherwise well-intentioned Bostonians like me into eco-terrorists? Would I cause that single, iconic tear to roll down the cheek of the Native American chief in that 1970s anti-littering ad campaign? Would Swedish environmental activist Greta Thunberg point an accusing finger at me and call me the Antichrist? The pandemic has forced some of us to take a personal inventory of our behavior and face an unfamiliar ecological reckoning.

**NOT SURPRISINGLY**, when I did an informal poll of my friends and acquaintances, many people had similar confessions. There’s the Al Gore–idolizing intellectual who admits she’s turned into an “eco-criminal” when it comes to single-use plastics and delivery services for books, coffee beans, and specialty foods. She also points to her excessive baking habit as a source of guilt. While it helps maintain her sanity, “unfortunately, a lot of what I make goes to waste,” she tells me sheepishly. It’s safe to say that not more than a mile away from where I live, someone is throwing surplus onions on the windowsill. Although we’ve

Eats, and Gary Drug, who I call and ask to put things in a taxi to deliver them.” This, from a mom who generally thinks three moves ahead and is such a perfectionist that she insists on doing everything for herself, or supervising those who do.

Perhaps the only people who might reasonably be expected to consider the consequences of their actions on the planet’s future in these circumstances are first-time parents, who tend to be idealistic and overly self-conscious. However, a young couple who had their first baby in September say the stress of rookie parenting coupled with the pandemic has made them even less conscientious. “I was thinking just this morning about how inefficient Amazon is, when I took one small sweater out of a huge box,” says the new mother. “But I try to limit trips to CVS until the baby’s had all her shots, so more often than not, I’m ordering things online. I took a photo of our driveway the other night, with boxes stacked high.” So what’s driving normally green Bostonians to commit a litany of eco-sins?

Cambridge-based psychotherapist Mark Davila attributes the shift in behavior to the “hierarchy of needs” first articulated by Abraham Maslow in the 1940s. Essentially, the bottom of this pyramid is made up of basic necessities such as food, shelter, and safety—none of which feels guaranteed right now. “We’ve all regressed to earlier developmental concerns,” explains Davila, who says he regularly sees masks blowing around the parking lot of his local Costco. “Things like the impact on the environment feel more distant than usual. It isn’t selfishness in the usual sense, but it’s an inability to ‘mentalize’ ideas and thoughts outside of one’s basic needs.”

**THANKFULLY**, sometimes meeting those basic needs can actually work in favor of Mother Earth. By eating mostly at home, doing some thoughtful meal planning, and making less-frequent trips to the grocery store, my husband and I have dramatically reduced the amount of food waste coming from our kitchen. Leftovers no longer rot in the fridge and produce doesn’t spoil, since we’ve been eating in almost exclusively. I’ve been saving vegetable and other food scraps to make stock, and, like many others during this time, have tried nifty experiments such as regenerating celery and green onions on the windowsill. Although we’ve
improved air quality and reduced water pollution in many cities around the world. In fact, Bloomberg reported that the United States was on track to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 9 percent in 2020 compared to 2019, technically making this the biggest drop on record.

There’s also something to be said for the benefits of having more time to spend in nature. “Most people, especially city dwellers and suburbanites, have long been disconnected from the environment,” says Tedd Saunders, CEO of the natural-resources consulting firm EcoLogical Solutions and a sustainability expert. He posits that the extra time spent outdoors this past year—walking, hiking, and gardening—has attuned more people to nature, hopefully inspiring them to take a more active role in protecting the environment and giving us “a huge chance to turn the corner on climate disruption.” The Trustees alone has seen a 30 percent increase in membership applications and markedly more traffic at some of its less-frequented properties. Its agricultural sales also grew by four times yet to pull the trigger on actually joining one, a composting service is in our future, and the amount that gets tossed carelessly down the garbage disposal has been significantly reduced.

This may sound trifling, but as food activist Mike Calabrese (drummer for the band Lake Street Dive) pointed out in his remarks during this year’s virtual fundraiser for the food-reclamation charity Lovin’ Spoonfuls, producing and shipping food requires huge amounts of energy: “When that food is wasted, not only were those emissions in vain, but when it’s taken to a landfill and rots, it produces greenhouse gases.” According to his statistics, 40 percent of the food in the United States goes to waste every year, and that, in turn, contributes something like 8 percent of our greenhouse gas emissions—not exactly small potatoes (pun most definitely intended).

As for the other 92 percent, the COVID clampdown has had a similarly positive effect. The National Institutes of Health says that movement restrictions and slowdowns in social and economic activity have

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WHEN WALLY’S PARADISE OPENED its doors in 1947, it wasn’t just serving up stiff drinks and smokin’ jazz to patrons—it was making history. After all, proprietor Joseph “Wally” Walcott was the first Black man in New England to own a nightclub, and the first to be granted a liquor license in the city of Boston. Over time, the venue became more than just a place to watch tomorrow’s Grammy-winning jazz sensations cut their teeth: It emerged as a hub for Black culture that has endured for decades.

As the club, now located across the street from the original location and known as Wally’s Café, enters its 75th year of existence, it does so with its doors closed to the public because of COVID-19 restrictions. Wally’s grandsons, who run the place today, say they’re committed to keeping their family business going—and an entire community is counting on them to make it happen.

ELYNOR WALCOTT POINDEXTER, OWNER OF WALLY’S AND DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH “WALLY” WALCOTT: We’re at 427 Mass. Ave. now, but for years Wally’s was across the street, directly across, at 426 and 428. My mother and my father got that place together. I was a newborn. My father told me that they had me in a basket, and brought a brand-new box of salt and a brand-new broom. Those two items were blessings that they believed would lead to longevity. So I guess it paid off.

RICHARD VACCA, HISTORIAN OF BOSTON JAZZ: In 1947, when Wally’s opened, there were already two jazz clubs on that block, but both were owned by white guys. So I think it was really important from
a neighborhood point of view, maybe from a pride point of view, that here was the first time that a nightclub in New England was owned and operated by a Black guy. This was finally a place where people could get together and relax without having to worry about admissions criteria or any of that kind of stuff. In other words, they could be served.

MATT SONNY CARRINGTON, SAXOPHONIST: What Wally’s had that was different than the others was the space for a dance floor. It was a little more social because of being able to dance. So everybody came in there: Charlie Parker, Dizzy Gillespie, Dexter Gordon.

VACCA: Until 1948 the Hi-Hat [a club across the street] was whites-only—the only Black people that were in the place before 1948 were serving the food, washing the dishes, and so forth. Wally’s attracted a crowd, and the guys who owned the Hi-Hat saw what was going on. So the next year they converted from being a whites-only dine-and-dance place to a jazz club with an open-door and colorblind-admissions policy. So I think that had a big effect on the neighborhood and in the community.

MATT SONNY CARRINGTON: By the time I started playing there in the early 1950s, Columbus Avenue in the South End was the mecca for jazz. Because you didn’t just have Wally’s. Up another four or five doors, there was the Big M, which was called Morley’s. Across the street was the Hi-Hat, the Wigwam, and then there was Eddie’s. You had five clubs on that block. You can’t imagine that, can you? Five nightclubs that played jazz. It was unbelievable. So we had our own thing as a community. That strip was our strip; it was like a little New York City. No one went home before 3 or 4 o’clock in the morning.

ELYNOR WALCOTT POINDEXTER: I was always going to Wally’s after school when I was in elementary school, grammar school, and high school. My girlfriends and I, we would go by there, and my father would give us money to go get ice cream, and tell us, “Okay, keep it moving.” He wouldn’t let us linger. It was a drinking establishment. I came up in a structured house. And then when I got to be 21 my father told the bartender, “Okay, take her behind the bar and teach her how to tend bar.”

MATT SONNY CARRINGTON: When I first started playing, I was playing drums, and I would go in and sit in as a young drummer, a teenager, so that was my first experience. Later on, when I had taken up the saxophone and got going a bit, I was able
to get gigs. I started working every other weekend. Wally didn’t pay a lot of money, so guys would leave off a weekend or so to play another gig that paid more money, and I would take their place. I was glad to get whatever I could, just to get the experience to play with a band and have a jazz audience here in Boston.

ELYNOR WALCOTT POINDEXTER: The first time my father went out of town and left the club was after his manager passed away, and that’s how I got the reins of being a manager. My cousin also worked as a manager and he went back to Barbados. He was supposed to be gone for 21 days, but he didn’t come back and I ended up with his job. I think I was in my twenties.

MATT SONNY CARRINGTON: When my daughter Terri was eight or nine years old, somewhere in that vicinity, I would bring her in there to get a chance to play with the musicians there.

ELYNOR WALCOTT POINDEXTER: Isn’t that sweet? When that little girl was eight years old, her father was bringing her into Wally’s and putting a telephone book on the drum seat. And he was standing up on the dance floor, at the microphone with his saxophone, and his little daughter was on the drums, learning how to play.

TERRI LYNE CARRINGTON, DRUMMER AND THREE-TIME GRAMMY-WINNING BANDLEADER: I’ve been going to jazz clubs since I was five, probably. I can’t say that Wally’s was the first club I played in, but it was one of the first.

ELYNOR WALCOTT POINDEXTER: There was one event at Wally’s I will never forget because it was when musicians gave an award to honor my father.

MATT SONNY CARRINGTON: I was president of the Boston Jazz Society at the time, and I gave him the award from the society for his contribution to jazz over the years.

ELYNOR WALCOTT POINDEXTER: The place was huge, mega big, and you couldn’t see the floor there were so many people. It was just loaded. We had those high-back booths, and people were sitting on top of the backs of the booths. There was a cigarette machine back then and they were sitting on top of the cigarette machine. There were just so many people, and I looked at that as quite a tribute to Wally’s and to my dad.

MATT SONNY CARRINGTON: Everyone at the ceremony had been patrons of his establishment for years. It was a chance to give Wally his due while he still had the old place.

In 1978, the city took over Wally’s Paradise through eminent domain for a highway that ultimately was never built, forcing the Walcott family to find a new home for the club, which they reopened the following year.

ELYNOR WALCOTT POINDEXTER: I’m the one who convinced my father to move Wally’s across the street. He didn’t want to be there. He was looking for a bigger place. I took him across the street, and the building was abandoned. It was just him and me looking through the window of the abandoned building. He said, “In here, Ely? This little bitty place?” I said, “Yeah, ‘cause when people come to Wally’s and they see that it’s closed, they’ll say, ‘Where’s Wally’s?’ and they’ll turn their heads and they’ll see: ‘Oh, there it is.’” And I was right!

GREG OSBY, SAXOPHONIST: I led bands at Wally’s in the early 1980s while I was a student at Berklee. The South End was the depths of hell at that time. It’s all restored now—repointed brick and redone brownstones and paved sidewalks—but at that time it was all broken glass, syringes, discarded alcohol bottles and beer cans, and the shadiest characters that you can imagine. And it was dark, a lot of streetlights out, and nobody wanted to go there except people who really wanted to play. It didn’t bother me one bit because I’m from St. Louis, so I don’t have to say any more. I was totally comfortable around shifty characters—hustlers and pimps and the underbelly of society. But a lot of people were just shaking in their boots, and they would never have gone to Wally’s. It would have been to their benefit to have braved the wilds.

ELYNOR WALCOTT POINDEXTER: One thing about Wally’s: There was this hodgepodge of different personalities, and there would always be something interesting going on. In a positive way—no dull moments, so to speak.

OSBY: There was a cast of regulars that frequented the place. They were characters. You don’t really have that anymore, these kinds of places where the hard-core listeners actually saw Bird, Lou Donaldson, Cannonball Adderley, and Duke Ellington live. They openly criticized and chastised a lot of people. And a lot of people ran out of the club with their tail between their legs and didn’t come back until they had things worked out. Another fixture was the bartender Ducky. Man, she was brutal. Really rough around the edges, but a really sweet core. She would cuss like a sailor, and she was, like, unedited. I mean, she had no filter. She would say, “Listen! You come here, you stand up against the wall and you been suckin’ on that one orange juice for like five hours. Buy somethin’ or get out!” That’s the G-rated version. But I loved her. Because she reminded me of just that old-school value system.

ELYNOR WALCOTT POINDEXTER: Ducky? We had reporters come in there and write up a story just on her, and one of ‘em she framed and put on the wall. It was a soathing article, but I’m telling you people actually came just to see Ducky.

OSBY: When Elynor was running the place, Wally would come in there on occasion, and he would lay cats out. “Get out of my place! I don’t like you! You’re not playing! You don’t play anything! You’re not good! You’re not worthy! Get out of here!” He would Kick. You. Out. It was brutal, but necessary. Because he was on the money. I’m all for that whole school of hard knocks, because all the people that he chastened, they wound up being exceptional musicians.

ELYNOR WALCOTT POINDEXTER: So many famous people—and not famous—have come to Wally’s. I was tending bar one night when Angela Davis was there. She was smoking a pipe. I’ll never forget that. You know, we never bother people when they come to Wally’s. We don’t grab a camera—just go, “Hello” and keep it moving. As my father always said, “Keep it moving!”

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Paul English [the cofounder of Kayak.com] brought Bill Murray in one time and they hung out with us for about a good hour and a half, two hours. It was a Latin Jazz Night. I’m telling you, Bill was down there dancing with people he never knew before, and he was having a great time. It was unbelievable. I gave him a hug and told him how his presence would make a person’s day. He was gracious because he’s a special individual. The people didn’t bother him, just said hello. I was kind of amazed how civilized, how courteous people were—other patrons. It was special.

Elynor Walcott Poindexter: One of the things I want to do is have an event for everybody who ever met at Wally’s and fell in love. We have so many. I have heard that from so many people. “My parents met here!” “My grandparents met here!” Ralph Martin [the former Suffolk County DA] and his wife, Deborah, told me they used to date at Wally’s.

Palmer: Elynor ran the bar on Sundays when I would host the session. She was real particular about what she liked. I met Wally once before he died. I heard he could be a real hard-nose, but he was a very, very sweet man. He was a bit frail at that time.

Elynor Walcott Poindexter: My dad passed in 1998. He was 101. I got a call from Richard Evans, a jazz singer, while I was making the arrangements for the funeral. He said, “Elynor, I’m calling to let you know we would like to do a parade to honor your father.” This is out of the blue, and I didn’t have to do a thing but just say, “Yes, and thank you very much for thinking of my father and us in that way.” So when the service, at Union United Methodist Church on Columbus Avenue, was over, the streets were all blocked off, and the parade went down Columbus Avenue from in front of the church to West Newton Street, down West Newton Street, then down Saint Botolph, and then a left on Mass. Avenue. It was like a New Orleans second-line parade honoring him.

Wally’s has always been known as the place where young students of jazz earned their chops. Today, as the third generation of the Walcott family manages the club, they have plans to double down on their relationship with students as they look forward to the post-pandemic future.

OSBY: Over the years, Wally’s became more of a workshop atmosphere, where we could employ techniques and devices and approaches that we didn’t do in school or in classes. It was a place you could play and do whatever you wanted without worrying about a grade.

Christian Scott Atunde Adjuah, five-time Grammy-nominated trumpeter: I am a person who grew up hearing about Wally’s. If you hear about the great players from up North, most of them came from Boston, which means they had to have stepped in Wally’s, because this is the environment where some of the greatest practitioners from that region and eventually around the world cut their teeth. The first thing I did when I got to Boston, before I stepped a foot in a classroom at Berklee, I went down to Wally’s.

Frank Poindexter: Oh, it was the same for everybody who came to Berklee—we were providing them footing in the city, a safe, family-oriented environment. And also, more important, a network of musicians.

Palmer: At Wally’s you really get to test your material out to a live audience. I can’t think of many places in the world where you can go and really hone your craft without any kind of limitations.

Frank Poindexter: They’re working on their ideas and concepts. So you have to give them a certain amount of latitude. But you can’t let ‘em go bananas.

Noah Preminger, saxophonist: When you’re 19 years old and you get to go play in a crowded club, it’s a thrill. Because people go fucking nuts for you there. It’s like you’re playing Madison Square Garden for 60 people.

Scott Atunde Adjuah: There wasn’t a moment when Wally’s wasn’t a packed house.

Preminger: It’s kind of seen as a hip establishment, and it’s centrally located around a ton of different universities and just a large population of people. It’s known as a cool place to go to that has jazz. It kind of puts the word “jazz” out there as something that’s fun and okay to participate in. It makes it more accessible to a wider range of people.

Frank Poindexter: We own a building next door, and we want to create a student café so we can employ these young musicians here in Boston. Because we got this super-special ecosystem when it comes to musicians. Boston Conservatory, Berklee, New England Conservatory. You got Harvard and all the other schools that have their own music programs. Where else in the world is that happening? Then we got the apartments above it. These young people who go to Berklee, these schools, they don’t have the money for the housing. We can provide the housing for them at a discounted rate, so they can stay here and finish their education. That’s our goal.

Terri Lyne Carrington: Wally’s is a cultural institution, and it’s the only Black club that has stayed in existence like that, and it literally helped to cultivate the young Black jazz musician. Wally’s is the only one in existence, preserving the culture.

Matt Sonny Carrington: It is crucial that Wally’s survive. It’s the only club left in the jazz community and it’s just a few blocks from Berklee and the New England Conservatory. And I do think Wally’s will survive the pandemic, and you know the reason why? Because they own the building.

Frank Poindexter: We’re located where the property taxes are very expensive. You got to pay $20,000 on the building.

Elynor Walcott Poindexter: They come every quarter whether you have the business operating or not.

Frank Poindexter: We had to apply for a loan and borrow money and incur debt for an event that was not of our making. In order to remain solvent we had to take on debt, and that debt doesn’t even cover the lost revenue from March 14 until the present.

Terri Lyne Carrington: I have faith that Wally’s will survive the pandemic because we, as a people, have always had to be resilient. No one should have to be this resilient, but in the eye of adversity, over hundreds of years, we’ve figured out how to not only survive, but often thrive as well.

Frank Poindexter: We’re doing whatever we can to maintain the basics so that we have a chance when the state calls Stage 4 and we can reopen our business.

Scott Atunde Adjuah: Wally’s is a monument, one that’s held open arms for the community for decades. Whatever the community has to do to make sure these institutions thrive is what they have to do. Wally’s stays.
A formal living room in Wellesley gets a second life as a hip hotel-inspired “lounge” connected to a fully equipped home bar.
New Year, NEW ROOM!

Forget buying a new home in Vermont—the hottest trend is taking what you have and making it bigger, smarter, and more beautiful than ever. From the mudroom to the barroom, draw inspiration from these renovations as you plan your perfect pandemic and post-pandemic pad.

By Brittany Jasnoff and Andrea Timpano
Consummate entertainers, a Wellesley couple longed for a space where they could unwind with family and friends in their new home. The solution? Transforming a tired wood-paneled office and formal living room into a bar/lounge area that rivals the hippest hotel lobby. —BJ

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What do you do when you’re retired but not quite ready to give up on your career? You turn your unfinished Newton attic into a hub of productivity for working—and volunteering—at home. —BJ

Ricardo Bilonick, the lead architect on the project, worked closely with the husband, a lawyer, to replicate his office setup at home. That meant bringing in his old Marcel Breuer chairs and desk, the base of which was painted to better match the space.

The structural collar beams are outfitted with linear LED lighting that shines up into the ceiling for ambient glow, and recessed lights that shine down for reading. “It illuminates the space really nicely,” Bilonick says.

The cable-railing system was custom-designed and built by Weymouth-based Weld Right Iron Works.

The Ultimate Home Office

ARCHITECT/INTERIOR DESIGNER
LDa Architecture & Interiors

AV
NEXT Electric Systems

CABINERY
Walter Lane

CONTRACTOR
Affinity Builders
Find Your Place

Don’t have the space for a proper office setup? “If you can sacrifice a closet…you can drop a countertop in there,” Bilonick suggests. “When you are finished work for the day, just move the chair, close the door, and hide your desk and its messes away.”

Avoid Clutter

Use your new home office as an opportunity to start fresh, paring down things like pens, paper clips, and, yes, even picture frames so your workspace fits in with the rest of your home. “You may not need to be reminded of your family since you’re working from home,” Bilonick says.

Bring It to the Pros

If your new workspace is going to be in an attic or basement, it pays to bring in an AV consultant. “Not only because technology is always changing, but there may not be proper infrastructure set up and we may be too far away to make everything wireless,” Bilonick explains.

Be Smart About Storage

Before committing to pricey bookcases or cabinetry, take stock of what you have (and haven’t) used since you started WFH. In this case, “we edited down what the clients needed for storage and printers to make sure they didn’t have too much or too little,” Bilonick says.

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A unique feature of the space is the “cat room” requested by the wife, also a lawyer who now fosters multiple pets at a time for the Animal Rescue League of Boston. “It’s their playroom and feeding room...kind of a catchall,” says Bilonick, who gave the room a splash of color by painting the cabinets with Sherwin-Williams’s “Blue Peacock.”

Bilonick and his team chose to install “the biggest skylights we could find off the shelf” to make the attic feel “nice and open and lofty.”

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Rain-soaked boots, cleaning supplies, bulky coats—where do they all go? If you’re lucky, in a chic catchall space like this one, created by a pair of design pros for their own family home in Bedford. —AT

**ARCHITECT**
Tom Wilmes

**CONTRACTOR/INTERIOR DESIGNER**
Highline Construction

**STONE FABRICATOR**
StoneTek

“We have a no-shoes house,” says Highline Construction co-owner Niki Vercollone, who created the space with her husband and business partner, Nick, as well as architect Tom Wilmes. “Having a place to dump dirty shoes [with] room for everything was important.”

The couple chose to stain the room’s two wooden benches rather than paint them. “When you paint the seat, it gets all scratched up,” Niki explains. “It’s better to do a stained wood. It lives a little longer.”
Go High…and Low

“...I always encourage clients to consider high and low shoe storage,” Niki says. “If you look at the benches, I’ve divided the space underneath into small cubbies and larger ones. Small cubbies hold tennis shoes and sandals, and then rain boots fit in the taller ones.”

Aim for Durability

High-traffic areas call for high-performance materials. For flooring, Niki recommends natural stone or brick instead of hardwood, which is prone to scuffing and water damage. Stainless steel, meanwhile, is ideal for a sink. “It doesn’t scratch,” she explains.

Focus on Depth

A bench is a useful mudroom addition, but the size of the seat matters—a lot. “We won’t do anything less than 18 inches,” Niki notes. “Twenty is better—that way, you’ve got some space so you’re not smushed into a bunch of coats” or whatever is hanging behind you.

How to Get Started

1. Begin with the Basics
   “People will build a mudroom and then be searching high and low for baskets that are the right size,” Niki says. “If you get whatever you’re going to use to store your stuff in the cubbies first, the contractor can do the carpentry to match the size perfectly.”

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More is more: That was the unspoken motto behind this MetroWest backyard transformation. Equipped with separate areas for cooking, lounging, and eating, the formerly stark green space now bears all the trappings of the ultimate entertainment zone. —AT

**FURNISHINGS**
Beige and Bleu Design Studio

**LANDSCAPE DESIGNER/CONTRACTOR**
A Blade of Grass

**PAVILION CONTRACTOR**
Design Essentials

**SOUND SYSTEM/TV**
Sounds Good Corporation

The project evolved from a request for pool decking, dual patios, and an outdoor kitchen to include a heat-ed pavilion with a wood-burning fireplace and a flat-screen TV. “[The clients] kept telling us how having that space saved their summer [last year],” says Kate Notman, senior landscape architect at A Blade of Grass, who adds that the site’s generous size enabled the owners to host socially distanced visits.

To soften the hardscaping and create a lush and inviting atmosphere, the team planted more than 40 types of trees, shrubs, grasses, and perennials—including daisies and peonies—throughout the site.

Curated by Boston-based Beige and Bleu Design Studio, hardy teak furnishings, outdoor-friendly upholstery, and sculptural accent pieces (see: the reconstituted-stone side tables from Serena & Lily) add comfort and texture to the yard.
Consider Materials
Outdoor kitchens call for hardier, more forgiving surfaces. For this project, the team chose a dark-and-leathered “Blue Mist” granite for the countertops instead of a traditional bluestone, which is more susceptible to blemishes such as grease stains.

Plan for Privacy
Screening plantings, such as the spruce trees and hydrangeas used here, can help define activity areas and foster a sense of privacy between you and your neighbors. “You don’t want to be in a space that’s really yours and have anybody looking in,” Douthit says.

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BRENDA CASSELLIUS

By Mike Damiano

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The head of Boston Public Schools has a vision for the future unlike any superintendent the city has ever encountered. And that’s a good thing—right?
A GRAY AND FRIGID MORNING in Dorchester when Brenda Cassellius bounds toward me on the front lawn of Joseph Lee K–8 School. She wears all black—pumps, dress, trench coat—and seems a little distracted. “Mask up, Superintendent,” an aide says, and she pulls her facemask over her nose.

Even though it is a Wednesday morning, Lee K–8, a sprawling red-brick building standing behind us, is mostly empty, staffed by a skeleton crew and completely devoid of children. It has been this way since March, when Cassellius and Mayor Marty Walsh decided to shut down every school in the district. Cassellius has barely stopped moving since.

“Sorry to keep you waiting,” she says. She had been sitting in her car for the past 45 minutes, she explains, on a conference call with other big-city superintendents brainstorming ways to reopen schools in the middle of a pandemic. That was after she already had two other meetings this morning.

“Do you mind if I run a tape recorder throughout the day?” I ask her.

“Day?” she responds, incredulous. She does not have a day to spend on me.

“Midday,” I say. “Run the recorder throughout the midday….”

But she’s already off.

Cassellius has come to Lee this morning to check on the work being done inside the cafeteria—a space as wide and tall as a gymnasium—where a dozen or so chefs are busily prepping packaged meals and bags of groceries. In a couple of hours, Boston Public Schools families will begin lining up at the door of the school, which has been turned into a food-distribution site.

Cassellius chats with the head chef, who shows her a color-coded calendar of the month’s meals. “Sweet potato fries!” Cassellius says, pointing at the calendar. “Oh, I want to come in on Thursday.” She seems simultaneously energized and at ease at the school. If she appeared harried outside, coming off her meetings and calls, she is now something much closer to jubilant. Over the next 40 minutes, as we tour the facility, she amiably talks to a janitor, a secretary, two assistant principals, and a security guard—while also dancing, leaping between social-distancing markers on the floor, and, on the playground, jumping down a hopscotch court. Yes, she is still wearing pumps. Back in the cafeteria, before we leave, she nods with approval as an administrator explains the school’s grocery-distribution system.

“I need to come hang out here more often,” she says. “Everything’s smooth and working great.” Then, almost speaking to herself, she adds, “Because in my life, it’s not like that every day.”

To say that Cassellius’s daily life in Boston has not been smooth is something of an understatement. She has one of the highest-stakes jobs in Boston, and the “second-hardest job in the city after mayor,” one source told me. (Second-hardest job in the country after president, another said.) When she arrived here in the spring of 2019, she inherited a system plagued by underperforming schools, yawning achievement gaps between Black and white students, decrepit infrastructure, and a distrustful relationship with the community it must serve. And that was before the pandemic hit, turning the district and her job upside down.

From the start, Walsh’s administration had hoped that Cassellius would restore stability to Boston’s struggling school system. Her driving passion, equity, seemed to make her a perfect fit for a district where inequality in academic outcomes is glaring. Before she even started the job, when she was still a candidate for the position, she had already seemed to achieve the impossible: winning the support of the community, the school committee, the teachers’ union, and the mayor.

Yet even by the standards of a city that has had five superintendents in the past decade, Cassellius’s first year and a half on the job since arriving from Minnesota, where she served as the commissioner of the Department of Education, has been tumultuous. She has overseen defections and ousters among her senior executives, a revolt from school principals, and public excoriation from influential nonprofits and activists. There have even been rumblings that she may not last much longer in her position.

So what went wrong? Was it the pandemic, which stalled Cassellius’s agenda and turned her job into mission impossible? Was it the superintendent herself, who, her critics argue, is too focused on visionary (and starry-eyed) future transformations to tend to the urgent problems of the present? Or, as Cassellius’s remaining supporters contend, is the problem that Boston—a city of sharp-elled politics and deep skepticism of outsiders—has refused to give her a fighting chance?

Brenda Cassellius has been criticized for her job thus far as superintendent of Boston Public Schools, though her supporters say she deserves time and a chance to implement her vision. Inset, Cassellius speaking to the media with Mayor Marty Walsh, who says he is and has always been confident in the superintendent.

AS WE LEFT LEE K–8, Cassellius’s aide invited me back to the BPS central office for an interview. I paused. “Do the windows open at the central office?” I asked. They did not. Sensing the COVID-induced hesitation in my voice, the superintendent, who spends a lot of time in the field and knows every school building in the district inside and out, quickly offered another option. “Let’s go to TechBoston,” she suggested. “The windows open there.” Before her aide could object, she was off.
Once we got settled in a classroom at the school, Cassellius told me about her life. Because of her background, she says, she has a lot in common with many BPS students. The daughter of a young single mother who later became a young single mother herself, Cassellius grew up on food stamps in the projects of Minneapolis and participated in a Head Start program. Half African-American and half white, some of her formative experiences included being the target of hatred from adults. “I was called everything from the N-word to mulatto,” she says. “It was the early ’70s and people weren’t too nice to biracial children.”

Cassellius started her career as a special-education paraprofessional and soon rocketed up the ranks. She quickly won jobs as a teacher, assistant principal, and then principal of a middle school, after Carol Johnson (who would later serve as BPS superintendent) hired Cassellius to work in the Memphis school district where she was superintendent. By then Cassellius had earned a reputation for being full of energy and big ideas. “She’s a quick problem solver,” says Bernadina Johnson (no relation to Carol), a former superintendent of Minneapolis Public Schools. “She sees something and she does it.” Cassellius’s decisiveness and big ideas, however, sometimes ruffled the feathers of more “traditional” colleagues, Johnson says. “When you are really smart and your mind is moving a lot, sometimes you have to take the time to pause and hear from others.”

Carol Johnson saw both promise and room for growth in Cassellius. One day in 2004, Johnson walked into Cassellius’s office to offer her the biggest promotion of her life. I want you to run academics for Memphis middle schools, Johnson told Cassellius, assuring her she could handle the job overseeing 31 principals, many of them decades older than her. Then she added an admonition: “You need to grow in humility.”

Stung by the criticism despite the vote of confidence, Cassellius went home and cried. Then she reflected. “I was such a go-getter,” she told me, “and confident and, you know, dig in. That kind of knocked me down a peg.” She picked herself up by reading “every book I could find about the craft of leadership,” she said. “And I started to do things where it wasn’t just my idea, but everybody’s idea.”

Over the next 15 years, her career remained on a steady ascent. Back in Minneapolis, she served as an associate superintendent from 2007 to 2010, overseeing high school principals. Then, as a superintendent for the first time, she briefly led a two-school district. For the next eight years, she served as Minnesota’s commissioner of education. When Cassellius arrived in Boston to vie for the BPS top job, she pitched herself as a deft political operator laser-focused on equity. That’s exactly what Boston needed, says Tani-sha Sullivan, president of the Boston chapter of the NAACP. Cassellius had the “political acumen necessary to be successful in Boston” and also understood the “critical role of educational equity and the needs of Black and brown students, as well as low-income students and English-language learners.”

Cassellius, who was pursuing several jobs at the time, said (Continued on page 130)
A neglected pup from the deep South, a grieving Plymouth family, and the underground pipeline of fearless rescuers that brought them together: The untold story of Bowser’s INCREDIBLE JOURNEY HOME.
A DOG'S TALE

By Rachel Slade
OF OCTOBER 19, 2020, Plymouth plumber Robert Fleming Jr. rose from bed and began getting ready for work, trying his best not to wake his wife, Colleen. As he dressed, his mind wandered to Bauer, his six-year-old dog, who he worried might be seriously ill. For nine long months, the boxer seemed to be doing well on an anti-inflammatory after a battery of medical tests totaling $4,000 was inconclusive. Colleen slept lightly during those months, fretting about the dog who paced around the house and often nudged her for a backyard break in the middle of the night. Outside in the dark, Bauer sometimes became disoriented; Colleen would find him staring into the blank darkness at the edge of the above-ground pool.

The Flemings had good reason to worry: The previous evening, Bauer had slept under the dining room table while the couple and their two children, Teddy, two, and Evelyn, six, ate dinner. They all agreed it seemed strange that the food-crazed pup Colleen had once dubbed “hungry hippo” didn’t bark and beg. While Colleen cleaned the kitchen after dinner, Bauer rested quietly in his dog bed. When she was finished, she invited him upstairs to the couple’s bedroom as usual, but he stayed behind. “Goodnight then, buddy,” she said to him. “I’ll see you in the morning.”

Now, heading down for breakfast, Robert hoped to find Bauer feeling better after a good night’s rest, but instead descended and saw his beloved pet lying on the tile in the entryway at the bottom of the stairs, struggling to breathe. Robert called out to Colleen, who rushed to his side, and together they got down on the floor with their dog and held him while fighting back tears. A few moments later, they watched Bauer take his final breath.

The Flemings had spent two brief but precious years with the sweet and easy boy, whom they’d adopted after his previous owners divorced and gave him up. Bauer’s gentleness with their children touched Colleen; when he arrived, she said, he “walked into our homes and into our hearts.” Bauer was the third boxer the Flemings had adopted, having developed a strong attachment to the breed after Tek, their second rescue pup—who had been abused and suffered from severe separation anxiety—helped Robert through addiction recovery in 2011. Whenever Robert felt frustrated, hopeless, or lost, Tek was a reminder that things would get better. That healing was possible.

Nine years later, the family members coped with Bauer’s passing in different ways. Teddy, who was too young to understand death, walked around the house calling, “Bow-ee! Bow-ee!” It was eerie and heartbreaking for his parents to hear. Evelyn asked for a cat. Deep down inside, though, Robert and Colleen felt an emptiness that could only be filled by another boxer, and they began to scour the websites of rescue organizations.

Given that all three of their dogs had suffered from debilitating illnesses, Colleen’s best friend wondered aloud why they were willingly setting themselves up for more heartache and financial distress by adopting another rescue pup. To the Flemings, the answer was obvious. “We know these aren’t healthy dogs,” Colleen later told me, “but our dogs are part of our lives.”

The Flemings were hardly alone in their desire to bring home a new furry companion in 2020. When the state shut down in March to contain the spread of COVID, an unprecedented number of Greater Boston families found themselves stuck at home with ample time to care for a new pet—and “adoption requests skyrocketed,” says Deb Cameron, a volunteer coordinator at Paws New England. The organization re-homes about 1,500 dogs each year from southern states, where, conversely, local shelters are overwhelmed with a seemingly infinite number of abandoned or stray animals. Before COVID, Cameron typically received 10 to 15 adoption requests a week; after Governor Charlie Baker shut down Massachusetts’ shelters in March, she was fielding up to 50 applications an hour.

For Robert and Colleen, the worst part about losing their pet during the pandemic was the silence. “It was a sad, quiet house,” Colleen says. They were willing to drive a long distance, even risk staying in motels, to find a new boxer. They discussed the possibility of buying a puppy. They even considered adopting a dog they’d never met. Whatever the price, whatever the heartache, they vowed to make it work.

THE SEPTEMBER 5 TEXT to Kathy Westbrook-McNutt read: “The dog is still there. That’s a dead chicken on the ground near it.... The house looks abandoned but we aren’t sure. Dog is in bad shape.”

An Alabama animal rescuer, Westbrook-McNutt, 61, didn’t have room in her home to house the Flemings when he was rescued in Alabama.
for another dog, but she couldn’t ignore the mail carrier’s texts any longer. She’d brushed off the first message; the property in question was in Hodges, just a few miles outside her humane society’s jurisdiction of Marion County, Alabama, close to the Mississippi state line. But the latest text included a video she couldn’t brush aside. The dog was lying against a chain-link fence near a rundown double-wide trailer home. Westbrook-McNutt knew that people sometimes moved and left their animals behind. If that was the case, this dog would surely die.

Westbrook-McNutt took stock of the 10 rescue cats and 22 dogs and puppies she was fostering in her 1,200-square-foot home. As usual, she was out of space. A post on the Facebook page of her humane society read, “!!!!EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY!!!!! Marion County Humane Society [Alabama] is on an indefinite intake hold. It will do NOBODY any good to try to guilt us into taking because the answer will still be ‘No.’”

But sometimes, she couldn’t say no. Westbrook-McNutt and the humane society she runs are affiliated with a Massachusetts nonprofit called Sweet Paws Rescue. Through partnerships with volunteers like her, the Groveland-based organization and others like it send neglected, abused, and abandoned dogs and cats from the South to adopters up North via a pipeline of animal (Continued on page 144)
The Great Suburban Healthcare Hunt

Hospital mergers, big-name acquisitions, and new medical facilities popping up nearly everywhere you look. Why is finding a doctor beyond the city limits such a confusing maze? It doesn’t have to be. From routine visits to chemotherapy and even life-saving surgery, your guide to getting first-class care—without ever having to drive into town again.

By CATHERINE ELTON and BRITTANY JASNOFF

PLUS: Our annual list of the region’s Top Doctors.
Well,

YOU FINALLY DID IT: You won the cutthroat suburban bidding wars, booked the moving truck, and now, at last, have the space, indoors and out, you’ve been desperately dreaming about since the start of the pandemic. The only issue you probably haven’t thought of since escaping the city? What to do about all of your tried-and-true doctors back in Boston.

The good news for everyone who’s participated in the great suburban migration of the COVID era (and for those who have long called the ‘burbs home) is that the time is finally right to benefit from another kind of suburban migration—that of Boston hospitals. In recent years, the city’s biggest and best academic medical centers, which made the Hub world-famous for its top-quality healthcare and a go-to spot for ailing pop stars and princesses alike, have been expanding their footprints into the suburbs—and it’s a trend that’s showing no signs of slowing down. “The old model of how you used to get care from MGH and Beth Israel was you had to go into downtown Boston,” says David Cutler, a Harvard professor of economics who focuses on healthcare and is also a member of the state’s Health Policy Commission. “With the growth of people in the suburbs, it only makes sense that some of the care gets brought out to the suburbs and that very distinguished providers are moving out to where the patients are.”

Some of this expansion can be attributed to Boston heavyweights acquiring formerly independent hospitals or combining with rival hospital systems, as was the case with the massive 2019 merger between Burlington-based Lahey Health System and Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center that brought together 13 hospitals, including some formerly independent ones, under the leadership of one of the most respected brands in Boston medicine. There is also a legion of new outpatient centers popping up in the northern, southern, and western ‘burbs that are making it easier than ever to get primary and specialty care from trusted providers close to home (e.g., the massive $400 million expansion currently under way from Mass General Brigham).

The advantages for suburban patients

WHO’S WHO IN HEALTHCARE?

Confused about how hospital mergers have changed the medical landscape? Here’s what you need to know.
are clear—namely, bypassing downtown traffic (not to mention exorbitant parking fees) without losing access to medicine’s best and brightest. The doctors staffing suburban outposts of Boston hospitals are vetted by the flagship in some cases; in others they are the very same physicians who work in the city. “Often the community hospitals get access to a group of specialists they wouldn’t be able to retain on their own, who can be rotated out to the community—the kinds of doctors who otherwise you have to go to town to see,” says Nancy Kane, a professor at Harvard’s T.H. Chan School of Public Health who focuses on health policy and management. Another bonus, according to Kane? You can get top-notch care without the chaos that sometimes exists at teaching hospitals, where gaggles of medical students and residents routinely crash crash appointments.

Meanwhile, the construction of new facilities in the suburbs makes it more likely that patients will seek the care that they might otherwise forgo to avoid the inconvenience of schlepping into the city. “There’s no question that when you build more facilities, you end up treating more people,” Cutler says, adding that this is especially important for health services known to be underperformed, such as colonoscopies and diabetes management.

This is not to say that all of this growth hasn’t generated some controversy. Though hospital systems often justify mergers by pointing to improved quality of care, research from across the country has shown that they don’t always accomplish it, and may even worsen the patient experience. However, Bruce Landon, a professor of healthcare policy at Harvard Medical School who has studied the effects of consolidation, says there may be reason to believe that isn’t the case in Greater Boston, where mergers often occur not between two average hospital brands, but between a leading academic medical center and smaller hospitals. “I think in those cases, they’re actually expanding their expertise and their personnel to help staff and run those hospitals,” he says.

Concerns about costs, however, are more difficult to ignore. The bigger the hospital group, the harder it is for insurance companies to negotiate lower prices for services, says Boston College health economist Sam Richardson—which means smaller community hospitals that become part of a larger healthcare system can charge more than they used to, ultimately driving up costs for patients. Cutler also says that when big Boston hospitals open shiny new outpatient centers in the suburbs, local doctors that once charged lower rates at their independent group practice often affiliate with these facilities, which command higher prices.

Still, Cutler is optimistic that the trend toward the suburbs can ultimately benefit patients in terms of both quality and cost in a state like Massachusetts, where there is robust oversight of the healthcare sector. “We have monitoring, we have people paying attention, from the governor and the legislature on down to businesses and insurers,” he says. “So at least we have a far better chance at having it work out well than other states do.”

If all of the choices still seem dizzying, don’t add stress to your list of maladies: The following pages are designed to be your guide to navigating this brave new world of hospital mergers and suburban medical outposts. So go ahead and make that appointment: Your health depends on it.
SHOULD I STAY OR SHOULD I GO?

Not sure whether it makes sense to remain close to home or schlep downtown for your next appointment? It depends on what kind of care you need.

| Routine Surgeries | **STAY!** | Need to have your appendix taken out or get a routine hernia repaired? The good news, according to Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center internist Bruce Landon, a professor of healthcare policy at Harvard Medical School who researches quality of care, is that there’s no need to travel far from home for simple procedures. “There’s a lot of thinking in policy circles and among doctors that it can be better to get routine care...at a community hospital because it’s a less complicated place where they pay more attention to you, and it’s more convenient,” he says. |
| Hyper-Specific Care | **GO!** | For conditions such as advanced heart failure or rare esophageal disorders, you’ll need to see a subspecialist rather than a general cardiologist or GI doctor. In those cases, Landon says, it is usually better to go to the mothership, “where physicians who specialize in very narrow areas of care are based.” |
| Diagnostic Tests | **STAY!** | Stress tests, echocardiograms, X-rays—if your downtown doc orders one of these, don’t worry about scheduling another appointment in Boston. Such tests can usually happen locally at affiliated suburban hospitals or outpatient care centers, Landon says, then get forwarded along to your physician for interpretation. |
| Initial Oncology Workup | **GO!** | If you suspect you have cancer, you may want to consider venturing into Boston for a diagnosis and staging. “Leading cancer centers have more depth and experience with different types of cancer, and potentially are more skilled at interpreting biopsies and other pathology specimens,” Landon says. But you don’t need to trek into the city for every appointment. Once you’ve hashed out a course of treatment, Landon suggests receiving your chemo or radiation therapy at a convenient suburban site. |

THE BOOM IS HERE

Brand-new or coming soon to a town near you, these exciting new medical developments promise all of the cachet—and none of the headache.

1. Primary and specialty care, mental healthcare, imaging, and surgery—the three new outpatient centers that are part of Mass General Brigham’s eye-popping $400 million expansion in Woburn, Westborough, and Salem, New Hampshire, will quite...
Why Docs Love the Suburbs

“At Emerson I’ve been able to cut off all of the research and devote 100 percent of my time to patient care, which has been really rewarding to me. And I really like that I get to see a wide variety of GI patients, whereas at [the city hospitals], they’re super-super specialists. Plus, I have a really good work-life balance. I have two young kids, and we have a busy life. Being at a smaller hospital and a smaller community practice just leads to a better environment.”

Jennifer Nayor
Gastroenterologist, Emerson Hospital

“There are really so many advantages of being in a community hospital setting. I like the simple things, like being able to cut out a lot of the middleman conversations and interactions that happen at the larger hospitals simply because there are a lot more layers to have to get through. If I want to talk to one of our orthopedists, I talk to an orthopedist. If I want to talk to a surgeon, I talk to a surgeon. You run into them in the cafeteria. It’s a lot of that closeness and ease of communication.”

Melisa Lai-Becker
Chief of Emergency Medicine, OHA
Everett Hospital

“I was at MGH for 13 years, and I’ve been at Newton-Wellesley for six months. I decided to take this job because I believe that the futures of community hospitals and academic medical centers are linked. In order for academic medical centers to serve very complex patient populations and do the research they should do, they need to be able to give up some of the procedures we can do here in the community. On a personal level, I’ve lived in Newton since 1998, so I know how important it is to get care at a community hospital.”

Sareh Parangi
Chair of Surgery, Newton-Wellesley Hospital

Literally do it all when they open their doors in 2022. The healthcare giant is also planning an expansion of its existing complex in Westwood.

2. Being an athlete in the western ‘burbs just got a little easier.
In Wellesley, Steward Health Care recently opened the Boston Sports Performance Center to keep kids and pro athletes alike in peak condition. Staffed by former NFL, NHL, and MLB sports physicians and top trainers, the facility offers physical therapy, performance training, sports medicine specialists, and even a concussion clinic all under one roof.

3. Concord’s Emerson Hospital may be one of Massachusetts’ last independent hospitals, but that doesn’t mean it isn’t growing in its own right. Following the opening of urgent-care centers in Hudson and Littleton, it’s also expanding with an outpost in Maynard this year.

4. Thanks to Beth Israel Lahey Health, there’s never been a better time to be a patient, well, just about anywhere. In 2018 it opened Lahey Health Hub at the MarketStreet Lynnfield complex, offering patients on the North Shore one-stop shopping for their primary-, urgent-, and specialty-care needs. The following year it unveiled a 37,000-square-foot outpatient clinical center at Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital-Needham. And in 2020 the healthcare group expanded its footprint south of Boston with an urgent-care facility in Dedham and a brand-new healthcare complex in Quincy offering primary and urgent care—as well as lab services and diagnostic imaging—under one roof.

5. Getting a cancer diagnosis is always difficult, but with the opening of a 30,000-square-foot facility in the Merrimack Valley last year, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute is making it a little easier for those who live north of the city. With dozens of exam rooms and private infusion bays, the facility also offers access to clinical trials, genetic counselors and testing, and even dietitians with experience in oncology.
THERE’S NO DOUBT the suburban healthcare boom has helped bring more choices to those living beyond city limits. The question some are asking, though, is whether these new options are really benefiting everyone—or just a select few.

Take, for instance, the location of many recently opened medical developments. When considering where to add facilities, explains Harvard healthcare economist David Cutler, hospital systems tend to favor wealthier locales with a surplus of the most lucrative patients: those carrying private insurance. While this may help their bottom line, it doesn’t do much to help people in underserved areas who need access to care the most.

The location of new facilities can be a problem for another reason. When Boston hospitals open ambulatory-surgery or diagnostic centers in the ‘burbs, they can wind up luring commercially insured people away from existing community hospitals, siphoning off some of the most profitable procedures. This, in turn, can destabilize the finances of those facilities, threatening their ability to care for low-income patients. “The business model for a hospital is to make money on some stuff and use that to subsidize the losses on other stuff,” Cutler explains.

So how do we ensure fairness in local healthcare going forward? While there are regulatory measures that can block expansions or mergers that could have negative effects on the market when there isn’t a demonstrated need for a new facility, Nancy Kane, a professor at Harvard’s T.H. Chan School of Public Health who also sits on the board of trustees at UMass Memorial Health Care in Worcester, says doing so hasn’t always been easy: “Overcoming the political and financial clout of the big academic medical centers in any legislative or regulatory process is and has always been a problem.”

That’s not to say the state’s leaders aren’t trying to keep the big conglomerates in check. Attorney General Maura Healey, for example, made the merger between Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and Lahey Hospital & Medical Center contingent on a settlement with her office that included a $71.6 million commitment to support healthcare services for underserved communities. For their part, both Beth Israel Lahey Health and Mass General Brigham say they are pledging to do just that. BIDMC owns and operates Bowdoin Street Health Center in Dorchester and Beth Israel Deaconess HealthCare in Chelsea, while Mass General Brigham’s expanded footprint includes community healthcare centers that serve low-income patients in Chelsea and Revere.

Cutler says he hopes the COVID-19 pandemic and the many inequities it revealed will reaffirm hospitals’ commitment to ensuring that no one is left out of the wave of expansion. “There are all sorts of great reasons why it’s really good to have care where people are,” he says. “We just need to make sure that it’s not just rich people” who get it.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

When it comes to equity in the healthcare industry, it can make all the difference.

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HOW DOES YOUR HOSPITAL STACK UP?

Before you check in, check out this roundup of results from leading ratings organizations.

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HOW MUCH STOCK SHOULD I PUT IN HOSPITAL RATINGS, ANYWAY?

It all depends on what you’re most interested in evaluating. If you’re only keen to learn how safe a suburban hospital is, check out Leapfrog’s Hospital Safety Grade, which crunches all manner of data to give the hospital an overall letter grade. It also offers easy-to-interpret graphics that let you see a hospital’s performance for a whole slew of safety indicators. For the most comprehensive rating system, check out Medicare’s Care Compare website, where you can find everything from how long average ER visits last to how successful a facility’s cataract surgeries are. To find information about another hospital close to you, go to hospitalsafetygrade.org or medicare.gov/carecompare.
Our all-new list: the 1,671 top physicians in the Boston area, as chosen by their peers.

Physicians are listed with their primary and secondary hospital affiliations and office contact number. Practice names are listed when there is no hospital affiliation. Many are subspecialists, or see only patients with certain conditions. For more health and Top Doctors coverage, go to bostonmagazine.com/topdocs. This list was a collaboration with Castle Connolly Top Doctors, a healthcare researcher that has prepared physician lists for magazines including Money, New York, and Philadelphia, and which also publishes America’s Top Doctors. For more information, see page 110.
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Health Experts
Dr. Min Ahn uses a personalized approach with all of his patients to restore youthful yet natural beauty. Dr. Ahn, a double board-certified facial plastic surgeon, is well known for his deep plane facelift and minilift, which provide the most natural-looking results. This technique more effectively repositions the muscle layers without relying on pulling the skin, resulting in better lifting of the midface and jowls. Dr. Ahn is also an expert rhinoplasty surgeon, having performed thousands of nose surgeries with consistently beautiful results. His center offers minimally invasive treatments that smooth wrinkles, tighten skin, build muscle, and reduce fat without surgery. The highest standard of care and discretion are coupled with consistently excellent results, attracting luminaries from around the world. Whether you are the head of your household or a large corporation, The Aesthetic Wellness Center will treat you as a VIP client.
Dr. Jeannie Chung, a double-board-certified facial plastic surgeon, specializes in rejuvenation of the face, neck, and skin. With more than 15 years of experience, she is passionate about helping patients look and feel their best. In an era of increasing anti-aging treatments, Dr. Chung’s philosophy is a simple one: provide patients with a rejuvenated yet natural look.

“I truly believe an improved look inspires an improved outlook in life,” Dr. Chung says. She guides each person through the appropriate procedures to achieve their goal. Her success comes from her artistic eye and technical expertise, along with a deep level of trust. This foundation of honesty has created countless long-term relationships with her patients. Dr. Chung’s dedication to balancing beauty with interpersonal integrity provides marvelous results time and time again.
Dr. Sean Doherty is a Boston native and a board-certified plastic surgeon who treats both male and female patients. He was educated at Dedham High, Columbia University, and Tufts School of Medicine. As a general surgery resident at St. Elizabeth’s, Dr. Doherty became drawn to the surgical attention to detail and the aesthetic refinement of plastic surgery. Dr. Doherty trained in plastics at The Lahey Clinic in Burlington and now sees patients in his Boston and Brookline offices. Dr. Doherty’s goal is for his patients to be the best version of themselves. He routinely performs cosmetic surgery on the breast, abdomen, male chest, and face. Dr. Doherty performs many non-invasive procedures such as Botox and filler injections, laser resurfacing, and thread-lifts. He is a speaker, trainer, and consultant for several companies in the aesthetic industry. Dr. Doherty works as the Medical Director for Cynosure, Inc. in Westford. Dr. Doherty is thrilled to provide advanced, safe, and effective procedures for his Boston-area patients.
Dr. Omar El Abd’s practice at Newton Wellesley Interventional Spine is an integrated service designed to provide prompt, non-operative management of painful spine conditions. His main objective is to provide comprehensive, non-surgical care for painful spine conditions. X-ray guided procedures are utilized for diagnosis and treatment. Dr. El Abd completed residency training in physical medicine and rehabilitation at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and an interventional spine fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania. He is board certified in both physical medicine and rehabilitation and pain. He has performed more than 40,000 spine procedures. He has authored and co-authored 28 articles and seven textbook chapters on the spine, musculoskeletal disorders, and interventions. Dr. El Abd is now offering platelet-rich plasma injections for management of pain caused by degenerated lumbar discs unresponsive to conservative treatment.
Dr. Waleed Ezzat operates under the philosophy that natural beauty is the best kind of beauty—addressing each aesthetic or reconstructive challenge by considering the whole facial anatomy rather than focusing on one isolated area. This comprehensive approach maintains a goal of functional and natural-looking results that fit within each individual’s unique genetic makeup. Specializing in aesthetic and reconstructive procedures for the face, head, and neck, Dr. Ezzat performs both surgical and nonsurgical procedures designed to enhance the appearance of the face and neck.
Dr. Arthur M. Lauretano is the medical director of the multidisciplinary Head and Neck Cancer Center at Lowell General Hospital. His skills in head and neck cancer management, including robotic surgery, provide comprehensive care for patients with this life-changing disease. He operates at Lowell General Hospital, Lahey Clinic, and Tufts Medical Center. Dr. Lauretano does thyroid and parathyroid surgery using technology including laryngeal nerve monitoring and PTeye parathyroid identification, and performs voice procedures, laser surgery, and minimally invasive sinus/eustachian tube techniques. He also lectures internationally and collaborates with colleagues in Europe and India.
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Dr. Rita Sadowski is a double-board-certified plastic and reconstructive surgeon specializing in surgery of the face, breast, and body. She believes plastic surgery should be tailored to the individual patient and look natural. “Plastic surgery should foster a sense of empowerment and confidence by revealing your best self,” Dr. Sadowski says. “Looking better and feeling better are interconnected.” Dr. Sadowski earned her bachelor’s from Georgetown University, her medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania, completed her general surgery residency and hand surgery fellowship at the University of Massachusetts, and completed her plastic surgery residency at the UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson School in New Jersey. With offices in Chestnut Hill and Milford, she operates at Newton-Wellesley Hospital, MetroWest Medical Center, Tufts Medical Center where she is an assistant clinical professor, and Milford Regional Medical Center, where she is the division chief of plastic surgery.
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FROM LEFT, BACK ROW: T. Desmond Brown, MD; Paul Tornetta, III, MD; Manijeh Berenji, MD; Michael Kain, MD. MIDDLE ROW: David Freccero, MD; William Creevy, MD; Tony Tannoury, MD. FRONT ROW: Robert Nicoletta, MD; Andrew Stein, MD; Chadi Tannoury, MD. NOT PICTURED: Xinning Li, MD.

Dr. Melissa Burnett is a sought-after expert in the field of medical, pediatric, and cosmetic dermatology and has practiced in the Greater Boston area for more than 15 years. Committed to lifelong learning, she is an expert in laser medicine and injectables and is dual board certified in dermatology and pediatric dermatology. Dr. Burnett has recently opened Premier Dermatology, her own practice in Wellesley. Premier Dermatology’s goal is to meet the skincare needs of your entire family. In addition to attentive medical care, they offer the latest, most innovative and proven treatments in cosmetic dermatology and skincare. Dr. Burnett is committed to supporting all your skincare goals to achieve healthy, beautiful, and natural results.
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Dr. Lawrence Garcia serves as chief of section interventional cardiology and vascular interventions at Steward, St. Elizabeth’s Medical Center, and is a professor of medicine at Tufts University School of Medicine. Double-boarded in cardiovascular diseases and interventional cardiology, Dr. Garcia is internationally recognized as an expert in peripheral vascular disease. Leading one of the oldest vascular medicine programs in Boston, he is dedicated to fighting limb loss. He has led national and international trials that have produced several disruptive technologies in the treatment of peripheral vascular disease, as well as authored numerous manuscripts and book chapters. His cardiovascular practice sees patients in Boston, Brockton, and Nashoba.

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Since 2007, Dr. Samuel Lin has been devoted to providing safe, consistent, high-quality care to patients using time-proven and effective techniques. Dr. Lin is a double-boarded plastic surgeon as well as an associate professor at Harvard Medical School. He specializes in nose/facial and breast/body surgery. In addition, he regularly performs functional and aesthetic rhinoplasty for patients who wish to improve or maintain breathing or to change the shape of their nose. He is very involved in developing plastic surgery innovation and is a member of several national organizations for plastic surgery.
Four doctors from Lahey Hospital and Medical Center’s Division of Urology were selected as Boston magazine 2021 Top Doctors. All have tremendous expertise in their specific sub-specialty areas of urology, however they recognize that successful patient care involves the entire team. They strive to identify each patient’s unique medical condition and align them with the best providers in the system.

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Lahey Hospital Medical Center Urology Nursing team

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**LEFT TO RIGHT:** Parra Tomkins, MD; Edward Butler, MD; Patricia Sereno, MD.

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she felt especially drawn to the Hub. “For some reason, I just felt like I was supposed to be here in Boston,” she told me. “I feel like I am put in places where I need to be for that reason. And now I know it’s for getting us through this pandemic.” Her confidence, and her self-belief, paid off. With the backing of the teachers’ union, community activists, and Mayor Walsh, she won the job in May 2019, with a 5–2 vote from the school committee.

Aware of the long history of distrust between BPS families and the district itself, Cassellius made a listening tour her first order of business. During the second half of 2019, she visited every school in the district and met privately with parents, religious leaders, activist groups, and politicians. The tour earned her a lot of goodwill. At the Horace Mann School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, for instance, she wowed teachers and parents when she started communicating with children in American Sign Language. At the Joseph P. Tynan Elementary School in South Boston, she toured the hallways and classrooms with parents and their students, letting them know that she believed the school belonged to them. People felt heard. “I had never met with a school superintendent,” says Matthew Thompson, pastor of Jubilee Christian Church in Mattapan, the biggest Protestant church in New England. “She asked me what I would do if I was superintendent.” Meanwhile, she funneled what she had learned on her listening tour into a strategic vision plan that laid out a roadmap for BPS’s next five years.

Cassellius often describes her plans for reform as “bold,” which is also a good descriptor of Cassellius herself. After completing the proposal, she walked into the mayor’s office with her pitch: Add an additional $100 million to BPS’s budget. It worked. The school committee approved her plan and Walsh agreed to the budget increase. On January 8, 2020, in his State of the City speech, Walsh called out Cassellius by name, saying she was working hard to give “every single student access to high-quality schools.”

Cassellius says she felt she was flying high, on her way to achieving her vision for a better, fairer BPS. “We had all this wind under our wings,” she says. “The community was behind us, the mayor’s speech was inspiring, we had secured this new investment, and then, boom, here comes the plague.”

At the same time, not everyone agrees with this rendering—a soaring start to her superintendency derailed by a once-in-a-lifetime catastrophe. The trouble, according to interviews with 14 current and former BPS officials who have worked directly with Cassellius, and who spoke anonymously for fear of professional consequences, didn’t start with the pandemic. It began when the new superintendent came to town.

**ON AN UNSEASONABLY WARM DAY** In October 2019, Brenda Cassellius took the floor during a meeting at the Bolling Building, BPS’s headquarters in Nubian Square. She was just four months into her job as superintendent and had a bold idea she wanted to share. Speaking to a room full of staffers and principals, she explained her vision for the next generation of Boston’s high schools. The staffers, all veterans of public school administration in Boston and beyond, listened closely.

The new schools, she said, would be built along—or on top of, it wasn’t exactly clear—the Emerald Necklace, the winding park running through central Boston. She envisioned that when students arrived in the morning, they would receive a “playlist” of programs available at each of the schools, according to BPS officials with knowledge of the plan. Then, throughout the day, the students would shuttle between buildings on a train.

The BPS officials listening to this concept were stunned. “It was a flight of fancy,” one former principal says. The Emerald Necklace—a narrow, marshy landscape designed by Frederick Law Olmsted—could not possibly be the site of a half-dozen or more high schools. Nor could the surrounding city blocks, which encompassed some of Boston’s most expensive and densely populated neighborhoods. What’s more, there was no train running along the park’s length. BPS was a troubled district; that was no secret. Big changes and bold visions were called for. “But plans and strategies have to be tethered to reality,” says one former BPS official, “and that just doesn’t include an imaginary train taking kids around a city to schools that don’t exist.”

In many ways, this was classic Cassellius, BPS insiders say. During her early tenure, staffers at the central office found the new superintendent to be more drawn to splashy proposals than to the grinding back-office work they believed was required to solve the district’s problems. She had a habit, seven current and former officials say, of tossing out big ideas that were often unrealistic and did not appear connected to any coherent plan.

“Maybe she’s this madcap genius,” one former official says, “that they were often mutually contradictory.” They were also disruptive. Subordinates would scramble to respond to her proposals, pulling staff away from the business of running the school district. “She paralyzes the organization through her incoherence,” another former official says.

Her colleagues found her leadership erratic in other ways as well. According to five current and former BPS officials, she often appeared to make snap decisions, seemingly without contemplating their ramifications. Once, in August 2019, Cassellius returned to the Bolling Building in tears from a visit to the McKinley South End Academy, which was housed in a decrepit building. Dismayed by the prospect of sending kids to school there, she asked her staff to find a way to close it—along with another dilapidated school, the Jackson/Mann—and send the students elsewhere. In theory, this was a fine idea. The problem was the timeline: She wanted it done now, before the new school year began the following month. Cassellius’s staffers were stunned that she believed it was possible to shut down two school buildings in a matter of weeks, when that process normally took years.

Current and former BPS officials came to believe that the root causes of Cassellius’s scattershot ideas were her lack of attention to detail and short attention span. Previous superintendents had done deep dives into the details of how the district ran. “But with Brenda,” one former official says, “word came down that if your presentation was more than a few slides, you would lose her.”

In some cases, that lack of attention paid off. Under previous superintendents, BPS executives had used a complicated formula to calculate the annual budget increase they would request from the mayor. “Brenda ignored all of that,” a former official says. She walked into the mayor’s office, asked for $100 million, and got it. “There was a moment when I thought, Maybe she’s this madcap genius,” the former official says.

Despite Cassellius’s public victories, though, BPS officials were alarmed by the mounting evidence that she was an ineffective administrator. This didn’t come entirely as a surprise. When she was selected as a finalist in the spring, BPS staffers at Bolling, as well as executives at education nonprofits, had called their contacts in Minnesota to get the scoop on the promising candidate. What they heard was troubling: Cassellius lacked strong
executive leadership and strategic planning skills. Further, just before applying for the superintendent role in Boston, she had been turned down for the same job in Minneapolis. Her hometown school board, which had watched her work closely for years, passed her over, citing the scarce progress on closing achievement gaps during her eight years as the top education official in the state. “Her leadership skills are very lacking,” a former Minnesota Department of Education official who worked with Cassellius told me. “She’s scattered, she struggles with talent management, and she doesn’t provide a clear vision.”

Those traits were on full display once she arrived in Boston. As she traveled the city on her listening tour, Cassellius issued a flurry of staffing directives that often went unannounced and unexplained. She implemented a hiring freeze, eliminated key central-office roles, and repeatedly reshuffled the organizational chart, according to three current and former BPS officials. By the fall, when students returned to school, BPS officials were having trouble keeping track of who reported to whom and what responsibilities belonged to each department. “It was chaos,” says a current BPS official. “Everyone was going every which way without direction, without leadership.”

Meanwhile, the senior leadership ranks cleared out as incumbents defected (Cas- sellius’s chief of staff “left in complete and utter dismay,” a current BPS official says) or were pushed to resign. BPS officials stress that the superintendent had every right to put her own team in place. But they found her methods strange. According to four current and former BPS officials, she has offered multiple BPS employees significant promotions seemingly on a whim, with little knowledge of their track records. The promotions left colleagues, and sometimes the promoted employees themselves, baffled. “She has said to me that she hires people based on familiarity and trust,” says Edith Bazile, a former president of the Black Educators’ Alliance of Massachusetts who has worked closely with Cassellius on a volunteer basis. She does not seek out people, Bazile says, “who are going to push her, interrogate her process, and ask provocative questions.”

Even more unnerving was the growing sense among BPS staffers that Cassellius herself realized she was in over her head. In meetings, she often broke down in tears and said she felt overwhelmed, according to three people who witnessed these episodes. “I don’t like to criticize people for crying because it’s often a form of sexism,” says a current BPS official. “But it’s more than that. It’s that she was falling apart.”

In October 2019, Cassellius reached for a lifeline, hiring Charlene Briner as her new chief of staff. Briner had been her right-hand woman in Minnesota, serving as chief of staff and then deputy commissioner throughout Cassellius’s eight years leading that state’s Department of Education. “Charlene has a way of coaching Brenda,” says the former Minnesota Department of Education official. “Without Charlene, I don’t think Brenda would have survived.”

In the months that followed, Briner helped prop Cassellius up, sometimes almost literally. Once, a BPS official saw Briner and Cassellius huddled in a hallway in the Bolling Building. The superintendent was about to go into a meeting and she was “falling apart,” the official says. Briner stood close to her and said, “Let’s breathe in. Let’s breathe out. You can do this. You have a vision,” according to the official. “It was like out of a movie,” the official says, “like she was propping up the queen who you know is not up to the task.”

Briner said she did not recall this specific episode but that the comments sounded like something she would say to any colleague going through “a difficult moment.”

In an interview in a BPS classroom, Cassellius dismissed her critics as disgruntled employees. She said her Emerald Necklace concept wasn’t a plan but a prop or visioning tool. “It’s a very bold vision,” she said, “to get people to stretch their thinking.” Of her big ideas, she said, “The good ones stick and the bad ones fall away. That’s my style, and I think people are getting used to that now.” She said that ultimately it was not possible to close McKinley and Jackson/Mann before the 2019 school year began, but that if she could have done it, she would have. Cassellius added that there’s nothing wrong with showing vulnerability by crying. “As a leader,” she said, “it’s good for people to know that you’re human.”

Cassellius’s colleagues, and many of her sharpest critics, however, have never questioned her humanity. “Her heart is in the right place and I believe deeply she is a good person,” says a former BPS official. “But when you’re in charge of a school district for more than 50,000 students, being nice isn’t enough to prevent us from being honest that she’s not getting the job done.”

BY WINTER of the 2019–2020 school year, concern over Cassellius’s leadership had extended beyond the central office and reached BPS’s principals—some of the district’s most important employees. A new wave of trouble began with another of Cassellius’s bold ideas, her so-called High School Redesign Plan. Unveiled in early 2020, it laid out an audacious vision for the future, proposing that seven large high schools across the city simultaneously expand Advanced Placement and pre-AP courses, create technical and vocational education tracks, offer dual enrollment with local colleges, implement International Baccalaureate programs, and expand to include the seventh and eighth grades.

The combination of all of these measures made principals’ heads spin. To some, the practical barriers to implementing the plan seemed nearly insurmountable. What’s more, in a district with chronically declining enrollment, it wasn’t even clear to them that there would be enough students to populate all of Cassellius’s new programs. It seemed, to some principals, like she was trying to fix the high schools with a magic wand.

It wasn’t long before the principals made their dismay painfully public. In July 2020, they wrote Cassellius a letter—which was leaked to the Boston Globe—excoriating her redesign proposal as a “top-down exercise in poor planning” that is “divorced from any authentic analysis of data, lacks major details that must be thought through prior to implementation, [and] ignores years of studies about BPS high schools and the complex issues they face.”

“It caught me off guard,” Cassellius admitted during the interview in a BPS classroom. Even with her facemask on, her expression made clear that the episode had been painful.

All of this landed in her lap precisely when the district was trying to figure out how to reopen schools in the fall. On July 22, less than a week after the principals’ letter was made public, Cassellius appeared, via Zoom, before the school committee to present a draft of BPS’s reopening plan. There wasn’t anything particularly unusual about the plan—it called for rotating cohorts of students to attend school two days a week while teachers used a combination of Web-based and in-person instruction. The problem, Cassellius’s critics alleged, was that it arrived too late and too light on details. “If we heard this plan
two or three months ago, we may have said, *Let's all work toward this,* said Shah Family Foundation executive director Ross Wilson, whose organization works closely with BPS, on a podcast the next day. “But hearing it 49 days before the school year starts doesn’t give you much hope.”

The teachers’ union also criticized the plan, calling it “totally out of touch with reality.” In the midst of the pandemic, a teachers’ union taking a shot at a superintendent should be as shocking as an April snowstorm in Boston. But for Cassellius, it signaled that she was losing one of her first and most powerful allies. (Later, in December, the teachers’ union would pass a vote of no confidence in the superintendent.)

Publicly, at least, Cassellius still had the backing of the two allies she needed most: the school committee and City Hall. However, out of public view, their support was wavering. Through the early summer, officials had grown concerned that Cassellius and her new leadership team might not be up to the task of managing the pandemic response. They began considering an intervention. In mid-summer, City Hall and school committee officials called several current and former BPS staffers. According to sources with direct knowledge of this effort, as well as contemporaneous records, the officials were seeking candidates to step into a new role: czar for BPS operations and pandemic response. The move would have rendered Cassellius virtually a figurehead, still nominally in control of the district, but with many core responsibilities removed from her portfolio.

The plan, which was pursued without Cassellius’s knowledge, was never consummated. But it shows that her top allies’ confidence in her was rapidly eroding. When I asked Mayor Walsh about this effort, he said it would be false to characterize the role explored over the summer as “a checkmate to Brenda.” However, he said that as of December, Cassellius was seeking to hire a new operations director. This new official will be more senior than Cassellius’s chief operations officer, the mayor said, and will have a broad scope of operations duties, including “school facilities, transportation, and food.” Walsh added he is confident in Cassellius and always has been.

Even though the July intervention did not come to fruition, Walsh still took measures to bolster the central office. In the summer, Mc Chrystal Group, a consultancy that has worked with the mayor at City Hall, began running Cassellius’s weekly coronavirus update calls with principals. Then, in late July, Walsh sent Patrick Brophy, the city’s chief of operations, to help with BPS’s reopening effort. The mayor and Cassellius say they arrived at the decision to have Brophy help BPS together. But BPS staffers and observers perceived Brophy’s work as an emergency rescue mission. Brophy might have seen it this way, too. According to a person who spoke with him multiple times in August, the COO said, in colorful language, that Cassellius’s team’s preparations were so far behind schedule that it would require drastic measures to open school buildings in time. (In an interview in December, Brophy said his work with BPS over the summer was a “rescue mission” than an “all-hands-on-deck” situation.)

A bitter irony of 2020 is that even if you believe, as Cassellius’s critics do, that she mismanaged the coronavirus response, it is not clear how much it mattered. In districts that were well managed and in those that were not, the results have been largely the same: learning loss for students and hardship for parents and teachers. But even if the consequences of the pandemic are not Cassellius’s responsibility, the recovery from it will be. In 2021, school districts will face the daunting task of repairing the damage sustained during the pandemic—particularly for low-income children of color who have borne the brunt of the school shutdowns. For this Herculean challenge, leadership will matter.

In one light, Cassellius looks like the ideal person for that mission. After all, equity is her driving passion. Still, Cassellius’s critics and some of her former supporters fear she is ill equipped to tackle this next challenge. “She does view her job in terms of improving equity,” says Keri Rodrigues, a prominent Massachusetts education activist, “but wanting it and being able to make it happen are two different things.”

Edith Bazile, a vocal supporter of Cassellius during the superintendent selection process, has since concluded that Cassellius doesn’t have what it takes to lead the district as it emerges from the pandemic. She is too focused on big-picture plans, Bazile says, and “she does not have the leadership tools to put in place policies that are going to make those plans actually occur in reality.”

“It creates a level of desperation,” Bazile adds, “because we can’t lose this generation.”

**ON THE AFTERNOON of November 13, I joined a Zoom call with Cassellius, her chief financial officer, her chief operations officer, and some of her favorite people in the district: her cabinet of student advisers. “Hi, Wellington, Hi, Rose,” she said brightly. “Hey Marcus, what you got going on these days?”**

For the next hour, she listened warmly and keenly to the advice of her most important constituents—students. And she sincerely sought their counsel.

“Anything you think we should spend money on, you guys?” she asked. “We have $36 million outside of the normal cost.”

As the students offered suggestions—free menstrual products, cleaner bathrooms, improved ventilation—Cassellius had her executives take notes. As CFO Nate Kuder completed a preview of the public budget presentation he would give in February, Cassellius proposed an idea. “You know what would be kind of cool, Nate, is having a youth portion of the presentation.” Kuder said he loved the idea. “That’d be pretty powerful,” Cassellius said.

Throughout her tenure as superintendent, Cassellius has seemed happiest—and told her colleagues she’s happiest—when she is in schools and with children. Perhaps that is why she seemed so buoyant when I visited Lee K–8 with her and why she meets regularly with her student cabinet, and with BPS’s student advisory council. “She has a deep gift for connecting with children,” says a current BPS official who is critical of her leadership. “When [Cassellius’s predecessor] Laura Perille was in front of an audience of children, she seemed stiff,” the official says. “Brenda runs down the aisle giving high-fives and the kids eat it up. They love her.”

It is not hard to imagine how a person with this gift, as well as Cassellius’s taste for disruptive, visionary thinking, could be a good fit for superintendent of BPS, a district that’s long had a broken relationship with the community. Cassellius insists she will still be that leader, as long as the city will let her.

When I told Josh Collins, Cassellius’s former spokesman at the Minnesota Department of Education, about Cassellius’s troubles in Boston, he said some of the dynamics sounded familiar. In Minnesota, he
explained, he and Cassellius shared a frustra-
tion that an entrenched bureaucracy stood
in the way of bold change. “We talked about
that challenge routinely,” he said. “How to
capture people’s hearts and get them to come
along rather than succumb to the tendency
to keep doing things the same way.”

If Cassellius’s critics are wrong about
her, then this is how: She has arrived in an
institutionally conservative city that has a
well-documented skepticism of outsiders.
She has taken charge of a flailing school dis-
trict and recognized the need for bold and
uncomfortable changes. She is confronting
an entrenched bureaucracy that wants to
pursue incrementalism, rather than radical
reform, and she is determined to shake the
cobwebs free.

That is exactly how Briner sees it after
working alongside Cassellius in Boston.
“The swiftness of criticism,” she told me,
“and the willingness to condemn, it’s some-
thing uniquely Boston. It’s been, what?
Seven, or eight, or nine superintendents
in a relatively short period of time? It does
not seem that there is any appetite to give
people room to prove themselves.”

If Cassellius shares that sentiment, she
was too diplomatic, in most of our conver-
sations, to say so. But she knows where she
is. “I don’t want this to come off negative,”
she told me in our first interview, “but I
think there’s almost a sense of pride in
that Bostonians say they’re hard on peo-
ple, just like in Minnesota we have ‘Min-
nesota Nice.’”

Paul Reville, who served as secretary of
education under Deval Patrick and is a sup-
porter of Cassellius, says Cassellius needs to
be given time. Building consensus, he notes,
is “a long, agonizing process. She’s had an
extraordinarily difficult maiden year as
superintendent, and I think she’s performed
remarkably well under the circumstances.”

But, he adds, “There have been times when
Brenda had such a bold vision that it’s over-
whelming to people. They can’t see how to
get it done, and she hasn’t shown them the
steps along the way.”

In our conversations, Cassellius seemed
to ask for two things: time and skepticism of
her critics. Near the end of our final inter-
view, during which I detailed her critics’
charges, Cassellius cut me off.

“Who is giving that criticism?” she
asked me. “What are their intentions and
motives? When you are disrupting the
status quo with an anti-racist lens, as an
African-American woman, you have to
think about the motives of why people
might be criticizing the ideas and the dis-
ruption that I’m making so that under-
served children can be served better and
to create opportunity and access.

“The criticism is premature,” she added.
As this story went to print, Cassellius
was preparing for a virtual “retreat” with
the school committee. She was looking to
the future—a future beyond the pandemic—
and was on the verge of unveiling her new
vision, a plan she called Return, Recover, and
Reimagine. “We’re going to be really refram-
ing and pivoting,” she told me, “because
our five-year strategic plan”—the one she
announced a year ago, parts of which were
later lambasted by the principals—“has
gotten very little attention.”

The new plan, she said, would increase
the budget, close achievement gaps, and turn
BPS into “a real 21st-century school district.”
This time, she said, “we’re going bold.”
oh, yes... there will be camp!

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According to Bud Copeland of the American Camp Association, one of the most common questions the ACA New England office hears is “can you help me find a camp?” This year, that search may have gotten more complicated as New England’s six states each have slightly different approaches to guidelines regarding camps and academic programs during the coronavirus pandemic. However, he says his main pieces of advice remain as true as ever.

Not sure where to start in your search for the right summer camp or program for your child? Here are three timeless tips for choosing the right camp for your child.

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**DO YOUR HOMEWORK.** Parents have a wealth of resources to help them collect information and decide which program is right for their family. Most camps have websites that have the pertinent information you need, and ACA. New England’s Find a Camp map lists all Accredited camps in the region. Talk through the goals of camp with your camper, create a list of camps in your area of interest, gather the nuts and bolts information: dates, cost of tuition and fees, location, session length, academic specialty, and more, and finally, reach out to the programs!

**COMMUNICATE.** Camp directors love to talk about camp. Reach out to the camps and programs on your list to schedule phone calls, Zoom meetings, or in-person tours when available. Directors love to share experiences, discuss safety protocols, and answer any questions you may have. When in doubt, ask the camp. You may be asking them to care for or educate your child this summer, and camp directors have the same goal as the parents. They want campers to go home healthy, happy, and having made some good memories and friends.

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“Saving people. One dog at a time”—couldn’t be truer for Westbrook-McNutt. In 2012, when her husband died and the bank foreclosed on their home, she says, “It was like my whole world had been shattered. I needed something to give my heart to.”

One day, she saw a Facebook post about a dog and her pups that someone had discovered in northern Alabama. “She was nothing but skin stretched over bones,” she said, “eating rocks, grass, garbage...anything she could to survive.” Although Westbrook-McNutt had little room in her mobile trailer to foster an animal, she sent a message to the woman who’d posted the photo. “I said, ‘Look, you don’t know me, but I have seen the pictures of this dog. How can I help? What can I do?’”

As soon as word got out that she was willing to take in animals, the pleas for help began coming her way. Rescuing dogs gave her life purpose.

If the dog in Hodges had been abandoned, Westbrook-McNutt resolved to help, even if she had to drive more than an hour to Columbus, Mississippi, where fellow rescuer Brandi Kain was waiting to swap it for a puppy that Kain had been nursing back to health. It would be a typical game of “animal Tetris”—shuffling around cats and dogs to accommodate a near-constant intake—played by an army of volunteer rescuers in the region over text, phone, and Facebook.

Standing outside the fence at the house in question, Westbrook-McNutt couldn’t get a good read on the dog the mail carrier had texted about because it was obscured by some bushes. The fact that it wasn’t budging worried her, though. To assess its health, she’d have to enter the property—risky business in a state boasting the second-highest rate of gun deaths in America. Next door in Mississippi, which ranks first, sharps in cats and dogs is so common that veterinarians refer to it as the “Mississippi microchip.”

Westbrook-McNutt knocked on the front door. No one answered, so she walked around back, steering clear of the snarling German shepherd chained to the garage. To her relief, he looked healthy, but it pained her to see the animal tethered to the garage. “I’m going to be very blunt with you,” she told him. “This dog is going to die within the next day or two.”

Westbrook-McNutt told him that Peanut needed immediate medical care. The man hesitated, unsure of whether he wanted to part with the animal. “My girls really love him,” he told her. She heard that line all the time from pet owners, even when there were obvious signs of abuse or neglect.

“I understand that the girls love him,” Westbrook-McNutt told the man, “but tomorrow you’re going to have to explain to them why he’s dead in your front yard because it’s going to happen. And then you’re going to have to explain to a judge because I’ll have to press charges.” The man relented. He even carried the animal—at that point 42 pounds (healthy adult male boxers weigh about 70 pounds)—to Westbrook-McNutt’s van.

The rescuer, who felt strongly that the boxer she’d just saved was “not a Pea- nut,” immediately gave him a new name: Bowser. Then she drove the dog to Kain’s home in Columbus, Mississippi—much closer to a Tupelo animal hospital where vet Kimberly Kelly provides cut-rate medical care to shelters and rescue operations like Sweet Paws. Kelly confirmed that Bowser was riddled with parasites and suffering from ehrlichiosis, a tick-borne disease endemic in the southeastern United States, treatable in the early stages with antibiotics.

Over the course of his two-month recovery, the boxer spent enough time around Kain’s family and foster dogs, as well as Westbrook-McNutt’s animals, for the women to know what kind of home would work best for the two-year-old dog who was “almost” house-broken: He’d be happiest in a place where he’d get lots of exercise and extra attention. But because Bowser had such a difficult early life, Cynthia Sweet, Sweet Paws’ founder, decided to send him up North first before soliciting adoption applications from Massachusetts families.

She felt that anyone considering Bowser should meet the little boy with the soulful eyes and powerful backstory face to face.

A COUPLE OF WEEKS after losing Bauer, Colleen clicked open a Facebook link from her father-in-law’s girlfriend about a two-year-old rescue dog. The boxer had been seriously neglected in Alabama, then nursed back to health by a group based in Massachusetts called Sweet Paws. A photo montage on the site showed the dog on the day he’d been found—severely emaciated—and

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A Dog’s Tale

Standing outside the fence at the house in question, Westbrook-McNutt couldn’t get a good read on the dog the mail carrier had texted about because it was obscured by some bushes. The fact that it wasn’t budging worried her, though. To assess its health, she’d have to enter the property—risky business in a state boasting the second-highest rate of gun deaths in America. Next door in Mississippi, which ranks first, sharps in cats and dogs is so common that veterinarians refer to it as the “Mississippi microchip.”

Westbrook-McNutt knocked on the front door. No one answered, so she walked around back, steering clear of the snarling German shepherd chained to the garage. To her relief, he looked healthy, but it pained her to see the animal tethered like that. Unlike in Massachusetts, in Alabama a dog can legally spend its entire life chained to a tree or an old tire in a circle of dirt, vulnerable to the elements, predators, and other dogs. Westbrook-McNutt knew the shepherd might remain pinned there for years, but she hadn’t come for him.

At the back door, she heard people talking inside. She knocked again. A thirty-something guy in a T-shirt, jeans, and a baseball cap came to the door. Westbrook-McNutt explained that she was with the local humane society and had received a call concerning the dog in the yard.

“What has the animal been to the vet?” she asked.

“No ma’am,” said the man. He explained that he was a single father working full time, living with his three young daughters as well as his father, who was recovering from a stroke. He couldn’t afford a vet—which is what Westbrook-McNutt hears 99 percent of the time. Though the former long-haul trucker has little patience for the people standing between her and a sick, abused, or neglected animal, she still musters compassion for them. The vets in her area charge way too much for the community, she says.

Westbrook-McNutt offered to give the unseen dog in the front yard “worm medicine” and promised that she’d leave some pills behind as well. Still, she couldn’t go back to her van in good conscience without seeing the animal for herself. Under the guise of determining the proper dosage, she asked if she could check him out. The man walked her through the house, where Westbrook-McNutt briefly met his three daughters.

Once they were in the yard, he called out: Peanut!

Westbrook-McNutt has seen every form of neglect and abuse, but she was still shocked by the animal’s appearance as he wobbled over to her. Profoundly emaciated, his hip bones were visible and his eyes were sunken into his skull. “I don’t know how this dog was standing, let alone walking,” she said. “I looked at this dog and I looked at this kid, and I said, ‘Hun, this didn’t happen overnight. Where did you get this dog and how long has he been like this?’”

The man said something about a buddy dropping him off in that condition a few weeks ago.

“I’m going to be very blunt with you,” she told him. “This dog is going to die within the next day or two.”

Westbrook-McNutt told him that Peanut needed immediate medical care.
documented his remarkable recovery. She immediately filled out the extensive Sweet Paws application. “His eyes just spoke to me,” Colleen says.

Unbeknownst to his wife, Robert had found Bowser’s post, too, and had sent a separate email inquiring about the dog. The following day, Robert heard from Judy Luff, Sweet Paws’ rescue director, who confirmed that Bowser was still available. Luff then grilled the Flemings about their dog-parenting history; another volunteer conducted a virtual home visit over Zoom and checked Google Earth to verify that they indeed had a big, fenced-in backyard.

The Flemings learned that they were one of eight local families under consideration. As part of their adoption agreement, the couple agreed to join a Zoom call with other would-be pet parents led by Sweet to learn more about the abuse, neglect, and overpopulation problems that plague the South.

Each year, Sweet told the potential adopters, Mississippi’s shelters take in about 50 percent more animals than Massachusetts shelters (17,020 strays and surrenders in 2020 alone). There are so many stray dogs in the region, Sweet explained, that shelters can’t keep up, leaving many abandoned or abused dogs and cats behind. That’s where Sweet Paws’ volunteers in Mississippi, as well as Alabama, come in: Working to actively save animals standing in harm’s way, they take emergency calls day in and day out from concerned citizens, mail carriers, and animal control officers who spot kittens dumped behind the KFC, dogs left chained to trees in the woods without food, cats hit by cars, pit bulls maimed in illegal dog fights, full-breed canines like Bowser starving in someone’s yard, and animal-hoarding situations. In one extreme case, a Macon, Mississippi, woman kept 37 Chihuahuas in her single-wide trailer without running water or electricity; when rescuer Jeanette Unruh showed up to remove them, the utility as hunters, fighters, protectors of livestock, or alarm systems, notes vet and Alabama native Trey Stephenson. “When we had ‘em growing up, they were just dogs out in the yard,” he says. “We loved them, but they were in the yard…. Some people think of dogs and cats the way people think of squirrels or rats—they’re just animals.”

In fact, the concept of cats and dogs as “fur babies” is relatively new in the South, where animals are still valued more for their utility as hunters, fighters, protectors of livestock, or alarm systems, notes vet and Alabama native Trey Stephenson. “When we had ’em growing up, they were just dogs out in the yard,” he says. “We loved them, but they were in the yard…. Some people think of dogs and cats the way people think of squirrels or rats—they’re just animals.”

Accordingly, legal protections for animals in Mississippi are among the weakest in the nation: The state lands dead last on the Animal Legal Defense Fund’s 2019 U.S. State Animal Protection Laws rankings (Alabama, South Carolina, and Georgia are 44th, 42nd, and 40th, respectively). It doesn’t help that Mississippi has nothing akin to the MSPCA or Massachusetts’ ARL chapter, whose combined annual operating revenue of nearly $90 million aids efforts to educate the public about proper pet care, lobby for stronger animal-protection laws, and subsidize basic services for those in need. Instead, the responsibility for animal welfare falls on individuals—private vets like Kelly in Tupelo, who’s often forced to turn away pet owners when they can’t afford her very reasonable spay and neuter price tags. Or shelter directors like Neely Bryant, a former champion equestrian from Tennessee who is known to use her own money to buy an animal’s freedom from an abusive owner. Or Rocky Rockette, director of Mississippi’s Lauderdale County Animal Shelter, who sends out an SOS to Sweet’s team of foster moms whenever his shelter is full. Everyone scrambles to make room for more dogs; Rockette will even take home pups to save their lives. But once his shelter reaches its limit, he’s forced to start euthanizing. The goal of Sweet Paws’ volunteer rescuers, of course, is to ensure dogs and cats never land in shelters in the first place.

ON A BRIGHT, beautiful, mid-October morning in Mississippi, I joined Unruh and Sweet—visiting from Massachusetts to connect with her southern volunteers in person—on a rescue mission in Noxubee County, one of the poorest counties in the nation’s poorest state.

Unruh is either famous or infamous in these parts, depending on whom you ask. She’s known, locals say, as the “crazy dog lady” who freely speaks her mind, a fact that fellow rescuers chalk up to her being born and raised in Kansas. Unruh works with Scott Boyd, who edits and publishes Macon’s local paper, The Beacon, spending half her week at the paper and half her week rescuing animals. At Boyd’s farm, she helps take care of more than a dozen free-roaming cats, as well as a retired New Orleans police horse named Kelly and six skittish rescue donkeys.

We met up at Ole Country Bakery, a Mennonite doughnut and pie shop, then climbed into Unruh’s “good truck,” the one Boyd bought with the caveat that she couldn’t keep rescue animals in it. The truck has tinted windows for her protection and Sweet warned me that Unruh packs a pistol. Inside, the scent of dog was strong as we drove north along Highway 45 past vast cotton fields, many picked bare, en route to a town called Brooksville. It was harvest time and 7-foot-high round bales of cotton wrapped in yellow, blue, and pink (for Breast Cancer Awareness) dotted the fields; pretty soon, they’d be loaded onto flatbed trucks with forklifts and transported to the local gin.
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Brooksville is a dead town; every store on Main Street is empty. Residents get their provisions, including food, at the forlorn Dollar General, which opened a few years ago. The median household income here is $27,188, and in 2018, less than 15 percent of the 260 students at Brooksville’s elementary school reached math proficiency. The school was shut down later that year. Driving around, it was difficult to determine whether a property was occupied or abandoned. Sweet and Unruh pointed to yards where they’d seen evidence of dog fighting or performed dramatic rescues. A few years ago, Sweet said, one property was literally strewn with dog corpses.

Earlier in the week, Unruh had received a call from a resident whose shepherd mix had had her third litter of pups. The caller told Unruh he’d been able to find homes for the previous pups, but he was willing to part with these. Oh, and he agreed to get the dog spayed after receiving multiple lectures from Unruh.

We pulled up to a white single trailer and the man came out, his eight-year-old son following behind. In the backyard, we met the friendly mama dog. She was tightly chained to a plywood enclosure with a dirt floor and no roof; she paced back and forth, wagging nervously, as far as her chain allowed. Ten feet away, pulling against her short chain attached to a car tire on the ground, a brown pit bull was jumping and yelping for attention. Another shepherd mix, also female, nervously darted in the shadows of a nearby tree. The man said she was his, too, but he hadn’t been able to catch her because she was too skittish.

Unruh knelt to pick the puppies out of the dirt—six squirming brown-and-tan balls of fur, fleas, and probably parasitic worms—and handed half of them to Sweet. The rest of the afternoon would be spent carefully going over each pup and handpicking off the remaining fleas. Once the puppies had a clean bill of health and were fixed, they would be loaded into a Sweet Paws transport van and re-homed in Massachusetts.

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We took the six puppies to Leah Gray’s house in Columbus, where she and her husband, Tony, had built three large outdoor pens—one for rescue pigs (about a dozen full-size Vietnamese potbellied pigs that were surrendered by people who thought they were buying “teacup pigs,” which do not exist); another pen for dogs and puppies; and a third smaller shelter where a very pregnant black Lab lay panting uncomfortably in the shade. A small enclosure farther back held a cat seized in a drug bust; she watched us without leaving her perch.

Leah and her daughter, Alex, took the puppies inside and bathed them in Dawn dishwashing liquid to help kill the adult fleas. The rest of the afternoon would be spent carefully going over each pup and handpicking off the remaining fleas. The rest of the afternoon would be spent carefully going over each pup and handpicking off the remaining fleas. Once the puppies had a clean bill of health and were fixed, they would be loaded into a Sweet Paws transport van and re-homed in Massachusetts.

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**COLLEEN FLEMING WAS** at work on the morning of November 5 when her phone buzzed. With every incoming call that week, her stomach jumped a little in anticipation of a decision from Sweet Paws. Though she knew the organization was leaning toward her family, the wait was still agonizing.

Thankfully, it was Luff, the rescue organization’s director, and she had some good news to share: The Flemings’ application had been presented to the team, including Sweet, Westbrook-McNutt, and Kain, and because the couple had extensive experience with the boxer breed, they’d been chosen to become Bowser’s new parents.

Colleen immediately called Robert to plan how to get their family of four up to West Newbury, where Bowser was being fostered locally, as quickly as possible. “We got a little more frantic once we knew if we met him and it felt right, he was ours,” she says. Eager to give Bowser a stable home and fill the emptiness in their hearts, they decided to drive there that same day. After work, Robert returned to their Plymouth home, loaded the kids into the couple’s Escalade, and picked up Colleen at Boston Bowl in Dorchester, where she serves as marketing director. Then, with love, hope, juice boxes, and plenty of snacks in bags, the family drove another hour north to the home of volunteer Tammy Messina.

Pulling into the driveway on that balmy fall evening, the couple was cautiously optimistic. What kind of boxer was Bowser? Would he be shy? Was he the excitable, barker, jumpy, licky sort of fellow? Would he scare the kids? The answer to all three was no. When Robert walked into Messina’s kitchen, he knelt on the floor and beckoned the dog, who calmly walked over and gave him a kiss. In spite of everything Bowser had been through, he seemed to trust these new humans. Then the dog padded over to the children and nudged them softly with his muzzle. He was gentle with them and they weren’t afraid. At that point, Robert says, “It was all over.” They collected Bowser’s few possessions, hooked their leash onto his harness, and thanked Messina for her part in his rescue. After a long, emotionally draining few weeks, Bowser was theirs.

Late that night, the Flemings pulled into their driveway with an exhausted but happy pup. As soon as he saw his new backyard, Bowser bounded across the grass, stopping at every corner and bush to sniff. Then he took his time inspecting each spot in the house, from the entryway to the dining room table, his brown-and-black muzzle working overtime. He certainly smelled Bauer. The Flemings hoped that he found the scent of their late dog comforting.

When it was time to turn in for the night, Colleen and Robert made their way upstairs and Bowser followed right behind—they didn’t have to ask twice. The pup immediately jumped into bed with them and fell fast asleep, as if he’d always been there. Robert and Colleen wrapped their arms around the dog’s body and breathed in his warmth. The tawny boy with the soulful eyes and trusting heart was finally in his forever home.
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When I was on a Zoom call with my younger coworkers recently, I made a joke about the old WGBH children’s show by the same name…and got crickets. Am I the only one who still knows what this is?

–J.T., Dorchester

A: Let me assure you, J.T., that you are hardly the only one who uses Zoom the videoconferencing app and also remembers Zoom the totally awesome 1970s public-television show produced in Boston. Indeed, Zoom has gotten more nostalgic press coverage than ever in the past year thanks to its timely name. I was a kid when it first aired, and my big sister and I couldn’t wait until the show came on, with its black set highlighted by the massive orange Zoom logo and the super-groovy theme song, performed by awkwardly frugging kids: “Come on and zoom zoom zooma ZOOM!” So when your question came across my middle-aged transom, I took a poll of my younger coworkers during our daily Zoom staff meeting. Though no one else had seen the show, a few said they’d heard of it…so there’s hope that we’re not fossils yet!

I explained to my colleagues that it’s a generational thing, as the original program aired from 1972 to 1978. (There was a reboot decades later in the early aughts.) To be honest, I had forgotten how much I loved the show—which aired nationally but featured a diverse bunch of Boston-area kids—until I dropped down the rabbit hole of vintage Zoom clips on YouTube. Its sheer guilelessness may be dated compared to today’s slickly packaged programming, but it was refreshing to see cast members acting out sketches on simple sets, taking viewer mail from the Zoom Barrel, speaking in the pretend language Ubbi Dubbi, and just playing around on set unscripted.

The poignant thing about time passing is that back then I wanted to be one of those kids, but now as an adult, I just hope my own children can find that trademark carefree fun each day. And maybe grow up to be like some of the Zoom cast members who have gone on to do remarkable things, such as Leon Mobley, a percussion star who has played with Nas and Ben Harper. Or Donna Moore, both a playwright and a software company CEO. And then there’s Bernadette Yao, famous for her helicopter arm-swinging trick—which I still can’t do. She’s now a Lincoln-based meditation music composer and energy sound healer. If you need help finding your inner calm during this time of chaos, you can make an appointment with her on (you guessed it) Zoom.

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